ANNUAL REPORT

of the

TOWN OFFICERS

of the Town of

DIGHTON

Year Ending December 31, 1960

GENERAL INFORMATION

OPEN MEETING LAW—CHAP. 626, ACTS, 1958

Meetings of every district, city and town board, commission and school committee shall be open to public and to press (unless in executive session). A notice of such meetings must be filed at least twenty-four hours prior with the clerk of the district or town. (A regular schedule of meetings filed in advance is permissible.) Accurate records of all meetings shall be maintained setting forth action taken. A summary of all matters voted shall be made available with reasonable promptness after each meeting. The records shall become a public record and available to the public upon being approved. (For information on executive sessions and emergencies check law with Town Clerk.)

The town offices are open Monday through Friday from 8:30 A. M. to 4:00 P. M., and the office of the Town Clerk, Treasurer, and Collector is also open Wednesday evenings from 6:30 P. M. to 8:00 P. M.

The Board of Selectmen, Welfare, and Health, and the Assessors meet in their offices Wednesday evenings at 7:30 P. M.

The School Committee meets the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 P. M. in the School Committee room.

Telephone Numbers:

Fire Department: To report a fire—
So. Dighton Station ..... NOrmandy 9-3131
No. Dighton Station ..... VAndyke 3-3700
Personal calls —
So. Dighton Station ..... NOrmandy 9-3291
No. Dighton Station ..... VAndyke 2-0329

Police Department: VAndyke 4-4411

Selectmen's Office: NOrmandy 9-2731

Welfare Department: NOrmandy 9-2131

Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector and Assessors:
NO rmandy 9-4241

Public Library: NOrmandy 9-2511

Town Nurse: NOrmandy 9-2141

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ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS

Selectmen	Address	Telephone	Term Expires
Clayton H. Atwood, Chairman	Segreganset	NO 9-4271	1961
William F. Benevides	Dighton	NO 9-3021	1963
Francis J. Torres	No. Dighton	VA 4-7628	1962
Board of Public Welfare			
William F. Benevides, Chairman	Dighton	NO 9-3021	1963
Clayton H. Atwood	Segreganset	NO 9-4271	1961
Francis J. Torres	No. Dighton	VA 4-7628	1962
Board of Health			
Francis J. Torres, Chairman	No. Dighton	VA 4-7628	1962
Clayton H. Atwood	Segreganset	NO 9-4271	1961
William F. Benevides	Dighton	NO 9-3021	1963
Town Clerk			
Percy B. Simmons	No. Dighton	VA 4-6465	1962
Town Collector			
Percy B. Simmons	No. Dighton	VA 4-6465	1962
Town Treasurer			
Percy B. Simmons	No. Dighton	VA 4-6465	1961
Auditor			
Stafford H. Hambly	No. Dighton	VA 2-1503	1961
Moderator			
Stafford H. Hambly	No. Dighton	VA 2-1503	1961
Assessors			
Harold M. Mendoza, Chairman	Dighton	NO 9-3451	1961
Howell S. Carr	Dighton	NO 9-5943	1963
Leo T. Pivirotto	No. Dighton	VA 4-4998	1962

Tree Warden

Raymond J. Costa	Dighton	NO 9-5984	1961

School Committee

Frank Rogers, Chairman (Resigned)	No. Dighton	VA 4-5179	
Thomas C. Sherman (Appointed 7/27/60)	No. Dighton	VA 2-7321	1961
Joseph W. Fleck, Rec. Sec.	Dighton	NO 9-4041	1963
Wyman E. Hawkes, Fin. Sec.	Segreganset	NO 9-3631	1961
Harry Hagopian	No. Dighton	VA 2-4142	1963
Antone Compos	Dighton	NO 9-5525	1962
Lawrence D. Dutra	Dighton	NO 9-5572	1962
Albert DeSilvia (Resigned)	No. Dighton	VA 4-9822	
William B. Wynne (Appointed 4/6/60)	No. Dighton	NO 9-3376	1961

Planning Board

June Hambly, Chairman	No. Dighton	VA 2-1503	1963
Milton Kossoi, Vice-Chairman (Resigned)	Dighton	NO 9-2911	
Richard E. Babbitt	No. Dighton	NO 9-5673	1962
Wilfred A. Rhines, Clerk	Dighton	NO 9-2461	1965
Milton Horton	No. Dighton	VA 4-6260	1961
Lawson LeForrest (Appointed 12/22/60)	No. Dighton	BL 2-3934	1961

Trustees of Public Library

Lois L. Staples	Segreganset	NO 9-2561	1961
Joseph C. Hathaway	Dighton	NO 9-5955	1962
Henry D. Greenlaw	Segreganset	NO 9-2431	1963

Playground Commissioners

Edward Antunes	Dighton	NO 9-4031	1961
David Horton	Dighton	NO 9-5540	1962
Wilfred A. Rhines (Appointed 4/6/60)	Dighton	NO 9-2461	1961

Dighton-Rehoboth Regional District School Committee

Stuart A. Arnold	No. Dighton	VA 2-4919	1961
Robert H. Bradshaw	Segreganset	NO 9-4591	1962

Finance Committee (Appointed annually by the Moderator): Gordon E. Spinney, Chairman; Kenneth Holmes, Vice Chairman; Roger Perry, Secretary; Earle Smith, Osman Crotty, Arthur C. Staples, John Cambra.

SELECTMEN'S APPOINTMENTS—1960-1961

Chief of Police Department: Charles H. Mason.

Lieutenant of Police Department: Anthony Andrews.

Sergeant of Police Department: Walter Plonka.

Reserve Police Officers: William Ashcroft, Anthony Andrews, Tobias Freitas, Walter Plonka, William Raposa.

Special Police Officers: Ervin Barney, Charles Brooks, Francis Buckley, John Cambra, Frank Cambra, Edward Carpentier, Louis H. Carr, Joseph A. Coelho, Arthur Compos, Anthony Costa, Raymond Costa, Norman Courcy, Cassius Cummings, William Duarte, Antone P. Dupont, Manuel Francis, George Goulart, Charles Gracia, George Gracia, Louis Gracia, Walter Hamilton, Byron E. Haskins, Ernest L. Horton, Warren G. Jones, John A. Medeiros, George A. Perry, John E. Rasmussen, Earl W. Rose, George M. Rubadou, Benjamin C. Sherman, Harold L. Sherrington, Frank C. Souza, Jr., Karl Spratt, Jr., Anthony Sylvia, Frank Virdinlia, Harry F. Willis, Isaac S. Wilson, Louis White, Joseph Perry.

Special Police Officer, BCAS: Edward H. O'Brien.

Special Police Officer, Coop. Bank: Stafford H. Hambly.

Special Police Officer, Arnold, Hoffman & Co.: M. Chace, E. Correia, B. Simmons, M. White.

Chief of Fire Department: Harry F. Willis.

Deputy Chief, No. Station: John Stanley.

Deputy Chief, So. Station: Joseph White.

Firemen, No. Station: William Ashcroft, Conrad Bleau, Joseph A. Coelho, Norman Courcy, Cassius W. Cummings, Kenneth Cummings, Edward M. Ferreira, William E. Fleming, Jr., Charles M. Gilbert, Jr., Charles M. Gilbert, Sr., Stafford H. Hambly, Samuel Hurwitz, Antone R. Katon, John Katon, Lester T. McNulty, William O'Connell, Robert Warren Perry, Roger P. Perry, Frank Rogers, Jr., Frank Rogers, Sr., Francis H. Rose, Benjamin C. Sherman, Jr., Thomas C. Sherman, Edward Silvia, Carlton A. Simmons, George E. Simmons, Percy B. Simmons, Richard F. Simmons, Gordon E. Spinney, Joseph E. Waller, Gregory Fitzgerald.

Firemen, So. Station: Edward D. Antunes, Alan B. Brightman, Everett Carr, George Carvalho, Jr., Frank Cash, Raymond Costa, Michael Cusick, Joseph Ferreira, Joseph Fleck, J. Gerald Fleming, William E. Fleming, Sr., Rev. Alfred Joseph Gendreau, Louis Gracia, Edward Hamilton, Walter Hamilton, C. Douglas Horton, David Horton, Maynard F. Horton, Jr., Maynard F. Horton, Sr., George Lavigne, Paul R. Martin, Richard Parchesco, Manuel Pavao, David Pilling, Walter Plonka, Albert Reed, Wilfred A. Rhines, Clinton Rose, Charles E. Sears, Jr., Alvin Silvia, Karl Spratt, Jr., Karl Spratt, Sr., Arnold Staples, Ellis Strange, Isaac Wilson, Manuel Botelho, Harold Gracia, John Torres, Jr., Arthur Martin.

Sealer of Weights and Measures: Donald B. Hathaway.

Fence Viewers: Leo T. Pivirotto, Harold Mendoza, Howell Carr.

Civil Defense Director: Fred Rebello.

Agents of Board of Health: Charles H. Mason, Percy B. Simmons.

Burial Agent: Earl C. Hathaway.

Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering: Anthony N. Sylvia.

Dog Officer: Charles H. Mason.

Town Nurse and Policewoman: Esther Bowden.

Registrar of Voters: Francis Buckley.

Auctioneer: John W. Synan.

Constables: Charles H. Mason, Percy B. Simmons, Raymond Horton.

Constable, Somerset Water Works: Henry Reckord.

Town Office Clerks: Isabel G. Burgmann, Elizabeth A. Rose.

Veterans' Agent: Theodore Boucher.

Harbor Master: Arnold B. Shaw.

Assistant Harbor Master: Martin Bergstrom.

Superintendent of Streets: Raymond Costa.

Gypsy Moth Superintendent: George W. Rose.

Dighton-Berkley Bridge Tender: John T. McCrohan.

Milk Inspector: Thomas J. O'Brien.

Town Forest Committee: Raymond Horton, Gordon Hixon, Henry L. Burt, Harold O. Woodward, Wilfred A. Hathaway, William Andrews, David A. Millard, Henry P. Goff.

Public Weighers, Arnold, Hoffman Co.: A. O. Gove, W. B. Carey, A. Sollitto, D. T. Maynard.

Public Weighers, Dighton Industries: Frank Miguel, Joseph Smith, John Silvia, Harry F. McConville.

Sanitation Inspector and Agent of Board of Health: Leo Duffy.

Director of Public Assistance: Bella M. Boucher.

Election Officers, Precinct A: Anna C. Simmons, Warden; Selma Wall, Leo Pivirotto, Edna Seekell, Lucy Baer, Catherine Sherman, Barbara J. Sherman, Alice Rogers, Aza Hagopian, Helen S. McCarthy.

Precinct B: Elaine Varley, Warden; Helen Atwood, Lillian Deslauriers, Ruth Leeming, Caroline Tripp, Mary M. Perry, Yvette Alves, Agnes Araujo, Louise Catabia, Hilda Nascimento.

Precinct C: Hazel Reed, Warden; Bernice Darling, George West, Myrtle Wilson, Alma Torres, Florence I. Perry, George W. Rose, Irene Goulart, Mary Allie, Emily Pilling.

REPORT OF AN AUDIT OF THE ACCOUNTS OF THE TOWN OF DIGHTON MARCH 13, 1958 TO MARCH 22, 1960

Mr. Herman B. Dine
Director of Accounts
Department of Corporations and Taxation
State House, Boston

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Dighton for the period from March 13, 1958, the date of the previous examination, to March 22, 1960, and report thereon as follows:

An examination and verification was made of the recorded financial transactions of the town, as shown on the books of the departments receiving or disbursing money or committing bills for collection.

The books and accounts in the town auditor's office were examined and checked in detail. The recorded receipts were compared with the treasurer's books and with the records of departmental payments to the treasurer, while the recorded disbursements were checked with the treasury warrants and with the records of payments by the treasurer. The appropriations and transfers, as entered on the ledgers, were checked with the town clerk's records of financial votes passed by town meetings and with the finance committee"s authorizations of transfers from the reserve fund.

An analysis was made of the general and appropriation ledger accounts, a trial balance was drawn off proving the accounts to be in balance, the necessary adjusting entries resulting from the audit were made, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the town on March 22, 1960.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked. The receipts, as recorded, were compared with the records of payments to the treasurer by the several departments and with other sources from which the town received money, while the recorded payments were compared with the treasury warrants and with the auditor's books.

The cash book was footed throughout, and the cash balance on March 22, 1960 was verified by actual count of the cash in the office and by reconciliation of the bank balances with statements received from the banks of deposit.

The records of payroll deductions for Federal and State taxes, for the retirement systems, for Blue Cross and Blue Shield, and for group insurance were examined. The deductions were footed, the payments to the proper agencies were verified, and the balances on hand were reconciled with the respective controls in the auditor's ledger.

The transactions of the trust funds in the custody of the town treasurer were verified, and the savings bank books representing the investment of these funds were examined and listed.

The payments on account of maturing debt and interest were verified by comparison with the amounts falling due and checked with the cancelled securities and coupons on file. The bond and coupon account was reconciled, and the outstanding coupons were listed.

The records of tax titles held by the town were examined and checked. The town and district taxes, as well as interest and costs, transferred to the tax title account were compared with the collector's records, the recorded redemptions were checked, and the tax titles on hand were listed, reconciled with the auditor's ledger, and compared with the records at the Registry of Deeds.

It is recommended that proceedings be instituted by the town treasurer to foreclose the right of redemption on all tax titles held over two years, as required by law.

The records of tax possessions acquired by the town by foreclosure of tax titles were examined and checked. The sales of tax possessions were checked with the treasurer's cash book and with the records at the Registry of Deeds, while the tax possessions on hand were listed and reconciled with the auditor's ledger.

The books and accounts of the collector of taxes were examined and checked. The town and district taxes and excise outstanding according to the previous examination, as well as all subsequent commitments, were audited and compared with the assessors' warrants issued for their collection. The reported payments to the town and district treasurers were verified, the recorded abatements were compared with the assessors' records of abatements granted, the transfers to the tax title account were checked with the records of tax titles by the town, and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved.

The commitments of departmental accounts receivable were examined and checked. The recorded receipts were checked with the payments to the treasurer, and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved.

Verification of the outstanding accounts was obtained by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town and districts, the replies received thereto indicating that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

The records of licenses and permits issued by the selectmen, the town clerk, the police department, and the milk inspector were examined and checked, and the payments to the State and to the town treasurer were verified.

The surety bonds of the departmental officials required to file them for the faithful performance of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

In addition to the departments mentioned, the available records of all other departments collecting money for the

town or committing bills for collection were examined and checked.

Appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet, are tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash, summaries of the tax, excise, tax title, tax possession, and departmental accounts, as well as schedules showing the condition and transactions of the trust funds.

During the progress of the audit cooperation was extended by all town officials, for which, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, I wish to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM SCHWARTZ,
Assistant Director of Accounts

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen:

Following the 1960 Annual Town Meeting, the Town Moderator appointed the following: John Cambra, Osman Crotty, Kenneth Holmes, Roger Perry, Earle Smith, Gordon Spinney and Arthur Staples.

The Town Finance Committee was organized by the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, and each member was sworn in by the Town Clerk. After being organized, the members nominated and voted as follows: Gordon Spinney, Chairman; Kenneth Holmes, Vice-Chairman; and Roger Perry, Recording Secretary.

In behalf of last year's Chairman, John Cambra, and myself, I wish to express our thanks to the outgoing members of this Committee, the new members, the Board of Selectmen, and each Departmental Head for their considerate cooperation in submitting their budgets and transfer of monies.

The Town has progressed by completing the Town Garage, the South Fire Station, and nearing completion, the Dighton-Rehoboth Regional High School.

The Town Finance Committee wishes to extend invitations to the Townspeople to attend any meeting in accordance with the Open Meeting Law.

All financial transactions contained in the Town Auditor's report had prior approval of the Town Finance Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

GORDON E. SPINNEY, Chairman
KENNETH HOLMES, Vice-Chairman
ROGER B. PERRY, Secretary
JOHN CAMBRA
OSMAN CROTTY
EARLE SMITH
ARTHUR STAPLES
Finance Committee

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

A special town meeting was held in the Town Hall, January 6, 1960 and was called to order by Stafford H. Hambly, Moderator, at 8:00 P. M.

VOTED: To dispense with the reading of the warrant.

(1) VOTED: On motion of Clayton H. Atwood that the Town, in accordance with the recommendation of the Town Finance Committee, transfer the following 1959 departmental accounts:

$158.50 from Veterans' Hall Maintenance to Care of Town Dumps
$49.45 from Fire Department to Town Ambulance
$2,148.69 from Gravel Roads to Street Department
$410.43 from Sidewalk Maintenance to Street Department
$400.00 from Insect Pest Control to Street Department
$39.42 from Brush Control to Street Department
$4,097.46 from Old Age Assistance to General Relief—Welfare
$154.95 from Old Age Assistance to General Relief Administration
$26.52 from Old Age Assistance to Veterans' Benefits
$338.88 from Disability Assistance to Aid to Dependent Children
$997.19 from Machinery Fund to Machinery Account

(2) VOTED: On motion of Clayton H. Atwood that the Town vote to approviate $500.00 for a Gasoline Account for the purpose of supplying gasoline and supplies for the use of Town owned motor vehicles and motor driven equipment, and to meet said appropriation, that $350.00 be transferred from the Public Property Account and $150.00 from Care of Town Elms Account.

Voted to adjourn at 8:06 P. M.

The regular Annual Town Meeting for the Election of Officers for the Town of Dighton was held on March 7, 1960 at Town Hall. The meeting was called to order at 12 Noon by Stafford H. Hambly, Moderator. The balloting was under the supervision of the following election officers: Selma Wall, Anna Simmons, Hazel Reed, George W. Rose, Florence Perry, Lillian Deslauriers, Caroline Tripp, Catherine Sherman, Mary Perry, Elaine Varley and Percy B. Simmons, Town Clerk.

The polls were closed at 8:00 P. M. The total number of votes cast was 1108; the ballots having been assorted and counted, the result was declared as follows:

Selectmen for Three Years—William F. Benevides
Board of Public Welfare for Three Years—William F. Benevides
Moderator for One Year—Stafford H. Hambly
Auditor for One Year—Stafford H. Hambly
Town Treasurer for One Year—Percy B. Simmons
Assessor for Three Years—Howell S. Carr
Tree Warden for One Year—Raymond J. Costa
School Committee for Three Years—Harry Hagopian, Joseph W. Fleck
Trustee of Public Library for Three Years—Henry D. Greenlaw
Planning Board for Five Years—Wilfred A. Rhines
No one elected to Playground Commission for Three Years according to Chapter 53, Section 40 of General Laws.
Tenure of office for the incumbent of the office of Chief of Police Provided.

The Annual Town Meeting was called to order at 7:30 P. M. by Stafford H. Hambly, at Town Hall on March 14, 1960. The guests from New Bedford Vocational School in the student exchange program were welcomed. The meeting was then recessed for three minutes to allow everyone being checked in to become seated.

VOTED: To dispense with the reading of the warrant.

VOTED: That we dispense with the reading of the articles and reference to them be made by number and content.

(3) VOTED: On motion of Earle Smith that the reports of the Town Officers as printed and published in the 1959 Annual Town Report be accepted.

(4) VOTED: On motion of John Cambra that the Board of Selectmen be authorized to appoint all necessary Town Officers and Committees not otherwise provided for by statute.

(5) VOTED: On motion of Earle Smith that the Town Treasurer be bonded in the amount of $38,700.00 and the Town Collector be bonded in the amount of $50,000.00 to satisfy the provisions of Section 35 of Chapter 41 and Section 13 of Chapter 60 of the General Laws.

(6) VOTED: On motion made by Stuart Arnold that the Town vote to amend the agreement for the establishment of the Dighton-Rehoboth Regional School District, as voted June 8, 1959 by striking out Section XIII as follows:

SECTION XIII: The establishment of the regional school district shall not affect the obligation of the member towns to provide education in grades nine through twelve; inclusive, until such time as the regional district school committees shall notify the local school committees of the member towns that the regional district school is in proper condition and prepared to function.

and inserting in place thereof the following Section:

SECTION XIII: The establishment of the regional school district shall not affect the obligation of the member towns to provide education in grades nine through twelve, inclusive, until such time as the regional district school committee shall assume jurisdiction. At such time as the said Committee elects, it shall mail to the local school committees of the member towns notice of the date upon which it shall assume jurisdiction over the education of the pupils in grades nine through twelve, inclusive.

When the regional district school committee assumes jurisdiction, it shall accept all pupils in the District who have completed the eighth grade, provided, however, that the town of Rehoboth acting through its local school committee may continue on a tuition basis at the expense of the Town of Rehoboth any of its pupils who are attending a public high school outside of the District and who would normally graduate therefrom during the school year ending in June, 1961. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary contained in this agreement, the pupils so continued on a tuition basis shall be included in the pupil enrollment of the town of Rehoboth in the regional school for the purposes of apportioning capital and operating costs for the calendar year 1961 under Section IV of this agreement.

(7) VOTED: On motion of Stuart Arnold that the Town vote to raise and appropriate $60,324.19 for the purpose of defraying costs of the Town's share of the capital expenses due in 1960 of the Dighton-Rehoboth Regional School District.

(8) VOTED: On motion of Stuart Arnold that the Town vote to raise and appropriate $60,857.91 for the purpose of defraying costs of the Town's share of the operating expenses in 1960 of the Dighton-Rehoboth Regional School District.

(9) VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the following sums necessary to defray Town charges and assessments as approved by the Finance Committee:

Account	Amount	Maker of Motion
Elementary School Bonds	$25,000.00	Frank Rogers
Interest on Elementary School Bonds	5,940.00	Frank Rogers
School Department	250,644.00	Robert T. Roy
High School Athletic Fund	900.00	Robert T. Roy
Public Library	2,393.00	Lois Staples
Board of Health		(See Article 10)
Ambulance Maintenance	450.00	Francis Torres
Care of Town Dumps	2,200.00	Francis Torres
Fire Department	9,510.06	Harry Willis
Police Department	7,680.00	Charles Mason
Civilian Defense	513.00	Henry Descoteaux

Hydrant Rentals	1,740.00	William Benevides
Town Insurance	7,193.40	William Benevides
Aid to Dependent Children	5,000.00	William Benevides
Disability Assistance	4,000.00	William Benevides
General Relief—Welfare	9,000.00	William Benevides
General Relief Administration	3,100.00	William Benevides
Old Age Assistance	28,000.00	William Benevides
Brush Control	1,000.00	Clayton Atwood
Cemeteries	350.00	Clayton Atwood
Chapter #81—Highway Fund	7,500.00	Clayton Atwood
Chapter #90—Maintenance	1,700.00	Clayton Atwood
Care of Town Elms	3,500.00	Clayton Atwood
Dighton & Berkley Bridge	1,000.00	Clayton Atwood
Insect Pest Control	542.01	Clayton Atwood
Road Machinery Account	4,300.00	Clayton Atwood
Shade Tree Program	500.00	Clayton Atwood
Sidewalk Maintenance	1,000.00	Clayton Atwood
Street Department—General	14,000.00	Clayton Atwood
Town Forest	250.00	Clayton Atwood
Assessors' Department	3,875.00	Harold Mendoza
Auditor's Department	700.00	Francis Torres
Election, Registration & Census	2,455.00	Francis Torres
Finance Committee	50.00	Earle Smith
Selectmen's Department		(See Article 10)
Tax Foreclosure	200.00	Francis Torres
Town Clerk	1,075.00	Francis Torres
Town Collector	2,690.00	Francis Torres
Town Office Account	8,000.00	Clayton Atwood
Town Treasurer	1,875.00	Francis Torres
Town Planning Board	500.00	Milton Horton
County Retirement Fund	5,518.20	Earle Smith
Dog Officer's Account	400.00	Charles Mason
Memorial Day Observance	200.00	William Benevides
Playgrounds & Recreation	1,153.60	Edward Antunes
Veterans' Benefits	6,000.00	William Benevides

(10) VOTED: On motion made by Francis Torres that the town raise and appropriate the sum of $4,325.00 for the Board of Health. (The amount was reported by the Finance Committee as disapproved.)

VOTED: On motion made by Clayton Atwood that the town raise and appropriate the sum of $2,850.00 for the Selectmen's Department. (The amount was reported by the Finance Committee as disapproved.)

(11) VOTED: On motion made by John Cambra that the salaries of the elected Town Officers as appropriated within the Departmental Accounts, be established for the year January 1, 1960 to December 31, 1960 as follows:

Board of Assessors:	
Chairman	$700.00
Clerk	500.00
Others	600.00 each
Town Auditor	600.00
Board of Health:	
Chairman	300.00
Others	200.00
Board of Public Welfare:	
Chairman	400.00
Others	300.00
Board of Selectmen:	
Chairman	1,200.00
Others	600.00
Moderator	20.00
School Committee Secretary	25.00
Town Clerk	700.00
Town Collector	1,900.00
Town Treasurer	1,200.00
Tree Warden	35.00

(12) VOTED: On motion made by Earle Smith that the Town appropriate and transfer the sum of $5,000.00 from the Reserve Fund (Overlay Surplus) to Reserve Account Ap-

propriated in accordance with Chapter 40, Section 6, General Laws.

(13) VOTED: On motion of Lois Staples that the Town appropriate and transfer the Dog Tax Refund in the amount of $519.80 to the Public Library Account.

(14) VOTED: On motion made by Francis Torres that the Town raise and appropriate $250.00 for the purpose of maintaining for the ensuing year, the mosquito control works as estimated and certified to by the State Reclamation Board in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 112, Acts of 1931.

(15) VOTED: On motion of Clayton Atwood that the Town appropriate and transfer $4,500.00 from Surplus Revenue to Chapter 90 Highway Construction to continue the Elm St. project.

(16) VOTED: On motion of Clayton Atwood that the Town authorize the transfer of unappropriated available funds in the Treasury in the sum of $30,650.00 to Highway Revenue in anticipation of reimbursement from the State and County for Chapter 81 and Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance and Construction.

(17) VOTED: On motion made by Clayton Atwood that the Town appropriate and transfer $20,000.00 from Surplus Revenue to the Gravel Roads Account for the purpose of gravelling and improving Town roads.

(18) VOTED: On motion made by John Cambra that the Town authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1960, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year,in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

(19) VOTED: On motion of John Cambra that the Town authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the

Selectmen, to sell at public auction or private sale, all properties which the town has legally acquired by Tax Title.

(20) VOTED: On motion of John Cambra that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen, subject to the approval of the Finance Committee to dispose of used materials returned to them, by sale at public auction.

(21) VOTED: On motion of Clayton Atwood that the Town make changes in grade, take land by purchase or eminant domain, and to settle damages for land taken in conjunction with the 1960 Highway Program under Chapter 81 and Chapter 90.

(22) The report of the Town Office Committee was given by Clayton Atwood as follows:

TOWN OFFICE COMMITTEE REPORT

On October 29, 1934, the Town established the present Town Offices by virtue of a vote to raise $100,000.00 to construct a Junior-Senior High School and Town Offices.

Since that time several Town Office Committees have been voted authority by the Town to study and report upon expansion needs as well as one whereby a new building adjacent to the school was considered.

This present Town Office Committee was established by Town Meeting vote on December 10, 1956. Annual reports have been submitted, the text of which has been "delay" to await the Town's decision relative to the School Needs Program.

The Town's action and decision to join Rehoboth in a Regional District makes available space adjacent to the present Town Offices. The Committee has been meeting on frequent occasions and many, many ideas have been presented and considered.

It is now the will of the Committee that the following be proposed:

1. The present Town Office area be expanded to include class room No. 17 and the principal's office.

2. Class room No. 17 be divided by a suitable partition to create two separate office rooms—one for the Board of Assessors and the other for purposes of hearings, Planning Board, Finance Committee, Water District and such other Board and Committee meetings which may be necessary.
3. The principal's office be assigned to the Police Department and also to be used as a conference and consultation room as required by any agency of local government.
4. A complete repair program of the Town office area be established to include painting of ceiling, walls, refinishing woodwork and floors and replacement of damaged walls.
5. Installation of a doorway between the Selectmen's office and the principal's office to allow inter-office passage for convenience of personnel.
6. Construction of suitable shelves, files and cabinets on or in the wall dividing the hearing room and new Assessors' office.
7. Recommend an appropriation of $2500.00 to supplement the balance on hand to make the proposed changes and repairs.
8. Recommend that the work commence upon the end of the school year and be completed by the beginning of the new school year.
9. Recommend that the Selectmen, Assessors and the Town Clerk be authorized to arrange for the necessary repairs and renovations.

Respectfully submitted,

Clayton H. Atwood
William F. Benevides
Francis J. Torres
Selectmen

Harold M. Mendoza
Howell S. Carr
Leo T. Pivirotto
Assessors

Percy B. Simmons, Town Clerk
Stafford H. Hambly, Auditor

Harry Hagopian, Chairman
School Committee

Robert T. Roy, Superintendent of Schools"

VOTED: On motion made by Francis Torres that the Town accept the report of the Town Office Committee and the committee be dissolved.

(23) VOTED: On motion made by William Benevides that the Town vote in include in the Town Office area, class room number 17 and the High School principal's office as proposed and recommended by the Town Office Committee.

(24) VOTED: On motion made by William Benevides that the Town vote to raise and appropriate $2,500.00 for the purpose of defraying costs of making necessary repairs, renovations and improvements to the Town Offices and that the Board of Selectmen, the Board of Assessors and the Town Clerk be authorized to contract for same.

(25) VOTED: On motion made by Percy B. Simmons that the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a Town Accountant as provided under Section 55, Chapter 41, General Laws, and that the office of Town Auditor be abolished upon completition of the present term.

(26) VOTED: On motion made by Clayton Atwood that the Town vote to raise and appropriate $1,200.00 to defray costs of compensation and expenses of the Town Accountant from Sept. 1 to Dec. 31, 1960.

(27) VOTED: UNANIMOUSLY: On motion made by Harold Sherrington that Article 27 be tabled.

(28) VOTED: On motion made by Clayton Atwood that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $275.00 to maintain the Civic Center.

(29) VOTED: On motion made by Clayton Atwood that the Town postpone action on Article 29 and refer it to a committee under Article 45.

(30) VOTED: On motion made by Francis Torres that the town raise and appropriate $1,000.00 for Veterans' Memorial Hall Maintenance.

(31) VOTED: UNANIMOUSLY: On motion made by Clayton Atwood that Article 31 be tabled.

(32) NOT PASSED: Motion made by Clayton Atwood that the Town vote to approve of the schedule of rates as adopted by the Board of Health in accordance with the recommendation of the Town Ambulance Committee, for services rendered and privilege of use of the Town owned ambulance, and to authorize the assessment and collection of said service charges.

(33) VOTED: On motion made by Harry Willis that the Town vote to appropriate $28,000.00 for the purpose of constructing a building on Town owned property on Main St. to house fire apparatus and emergency equipment and to serve the needs of the community for civic assembly, and to meet said appropriation, $10,000.00 be transferred from Surplus Revenue, and $18,000.00 be transferred from Overlay Surplus, and the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, the Chief of the Fire Department, Deputy Chiefs of the North and South Station, Arthur Staples and Joseph W. Bleau be authorized as a Building Committee to contract for and complete said construction in accordance with existing statute.

(34) VOTED: On motion made by Clayton Atwood that the Town postpone action on Article 34 and refer it to a committee under Article 45.

(35) The report of the House Numbering Committee was given by Clayton Atwood as follows:

"HOUSE NUMBERING REPORT

The Board of Selectmen appointed six citizens,—two members of the Planning Board and four members of the Dighton Fire Department—to serve with them as a House Numbering Committee within the year 1959. The purpose of the Committee was to pursue and study the Town's needs of a house numbering program and to formulate recommendations to be presented at the Town Meeting.

Whereas the Planning Board had previously been considering a numbering system, the Committee delegated authority to them to obtain estimates and proposals whereby the Town could consider adoption of a program.

The Planning Board has therefore obtained and submitted to the Selectmen an estimate of $3,500 for the costs of obtaining a professional and qualified consultant to establish a suitable and workable program.

Respectfully submitted,

Clayton H. Atwood
William F. Benevides
Francis J. Torres
Selectmen

Thomas C. Sherman
J. Gerald Fleming
Joseph T. White
Fire Department"

Richard E. Babbitt
Milton F. Horton
Planning Board

VOTED: On motion made by William Benevides that the report of the House Numbering Committee be accepted and the committee be discharged.

(36) VOTED: On motion of Milton Horton that the Town raise and appropriate $3,500.00 to defray costs of installing a house numbering and renumbering system and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to contract for such system, as the Selectmen, the Dighton Planning Board, and Planning Consultants working jointly may deem necessary and to provide for the manner of operation.

(37) VOTED: On motion made by John Cambra that the Town vote to raise and appropriate $500.00 to defray costs of revising and compiling Town By-Laws and to authorize the Town Clerk to engage legal counsel in completing same.

(38) VOTED: On motion made by John Cambra that the Town vote to raise and appropriate $100.00 to be used for the necessary expenses of the Town's 250th Anniversary Committee.

(39) VOTED: On motion made by Francis Torres that the Town vote to appropriate and transfer $1,000.00 from Sur-

plus Revenue for the purpose of obtaining an engineering study of the Town's sewerage needs and to authorize the Board of Health to obtain same.

(40) VOTED: On motion made by Clayton Atwood that the Town vote to accept a proposed layout of Elm St. as shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk and to authorize and accept a proposed taking by eminent domain or purchase, as provided by the General Laws of Massachusetts, by the Selectmen of the Town of Dighton, for the purpose of constructing, altering, locating or repairing a highway in said Dighton, known as Elm Street, as shown on a plan of the proposed layout of Elm Street, entitled "Plan of Elm Street in the Town of Dighton, Bristol County, Scale: 40 feet to the inch—Leonard E. Curran & Associates, Civil Engineers, dated Feb. 24, 1960," said plan being on file with the Town Clerk, certain parcels of land in fee with all rights, easements, privileges and appurtenances thereto, including all fixtures, buildings, structures affixed thereto, and all trees, including shade trees, shrubs, and stone walls.

(41) The report of the Building Code Committee was given by Russell Varley as follows:

"REPORT OF CODE COMMITTEE

The Code Committee and Planning Board have met several times since the Special Town Meeting in August 1959.

Due to unforeseen circumstances, especially sickness, the Committee has not yet had a full attendance of its members. However, those present have made some progress but as this is a complex subject and requires considerable thought and detail it will require much more time and many more meetings to prepare a code for your consideration.

Therefore, at this time we can only make a report of progress, and ask for any discussion you wish to make on this subject.

Signers: Russell C. Varley, Arthur C. Staples, Milton Kossoi, Wilfred A. Rhines, Milton F. Horton"

VOTED: On motion made by Francis Torres that the Town vote to accept the report as a report of progress.

(42) The report of the Revaluation Committee was given by Clayton Atwood as follows:

"REPORT OF REVALUATION COMMITTEE

At the 1959 Annual Town Meeting, the Town voted to establish a Revaluation Committee whose purpose was to study and report upon the Tax assessing methods and structure of the Town. The Committee was voted to consist of representatives from all local governmental agencies, industry, public utilities and agriculture.

At the first meeting of this group, approximately 90% of the Committee was in attendance and heard Mr. Leslie M. Willard of the Massachusetts Tax Commissioner's Staff and Tax Consultant present the advantages of modern tax methods. Subsequently, the Committee voted to engage Mr. Willard to conduct a professional appraisal of the Town's tax structure.

Mr. Willard has completed his study and submitted his report which is presented for the Town's study and consideration. The data referred to as the ratio study is purposely omitted because of its length and detail. The ratio summary is as follows:

Thirty four per cent is the mean ratio of local assessors' values to stamp transfer values over a four year period. The range shows a high of 19 above and 13 below the mean, and an average of less than five above and below the mean.

To the Assessors and Town Officials who are close to the tax structure and financial function of the Town, the report is most interesting and should be to the township also.

'REPORT

October 1, 1959

'The assessors' alphabetical card index by property owners is very good, but I would recommend a card for each parcel of real estate as required for assessments under our law and that the plan, page and lot indentification be placed on each card so that a plan reference can be easily made.

The new plans should have placed upon them the dimensions and areas so that the pertinent information of each lot is readily available when referring to the plans. This would be invaluable in equalizing land values.

An index by streets of cards showing all dimensions and physical facts of value and construction of structures with details of land charactertics should be the major future improvement in your assessors' records. This information may be obtained by a commercial firm under contract, local personnel under supervision of the assessors or local personnel under direction of a qualified appraiser-engineer.

The cost of such a program would equal eight dollars for each parcel surveyed if given out to contract.

Supervision of asseessors' work both now and in the future can be obtained by the Town voting for the State Assessment System under Chapter 58, Section 7A of the General Laws and the cost would be less than the annual state audit charge for the service.

The enclosed ratio study shows the need of additional information concerning the physical facts of value in regard to your assessed properties in order that better equalization may be established in your Town. You will note that the sales-ratio information indicates that your board of assessors are doing an excellent job with the facts available to them. Any assessment within plus or minus five percent of the mean percentage is considered good assessment. The fact that your assessments are grouped so closely to the percentage of market value used by the assessors indicates intelligent comparison of the properties in Dighton.

Under such a program as I recommend, the study of commercial, manufacturing and public utilities would have values determined by physical facts, use of property, classification, capitalization and comparison, so that they too would be equalized for assessment purposes.

An equalization program does not increase the actual taxes on such property as mentioned above. This has

been indicated in seventy such programs in the last ten years.

(Signed) Leslie M. Willard"

On February 17, 1960, the second and last meeting of the Committee was held with 100% of the appointed group in attendance. A lengthy discussion of the Willard report was held and an analysis of the overall tax structure was presented by those in attendance. In view of the expressed attitude of all representatives of industry and the apparent prevailing equities of valuation existing as indicated by the Willard Report, it was the unanimous opinion of the committee that it would not be their will to advise or recommend to the Town a program of revaluation of properties at this time. Representatives of industry requested that at such time as the Town may vote to appropriate funds to acquire a revaluation, that all industrial properties be included in such a program.

Respectfully submitted by direction of the Committee
Clayton H. Atwood, Chairman, Board of Selectmen"

VOTED: On motion made by William Benevides that the report be accepted as a report of progress.

(43) VOTED: On motion made by Francis Torres that the Town authorize the Board of Registrars and the Town Clerk to study the feasibility of abolishing the Precinct form of voting.

(44) VOTED: On motion of Clayton Atwood that the Town vote to authorize the Town Clerk, Board of Selectmen, Board of Assessors, the Planning Board and all elected District Officers of the several districts, to study and pursue the feasibility of petition to the legislature for measures whereby the Town may consider the acceptance of the liabilities and functions of the various districts within the Town.

(45) VOTED: On motion made by Clayton Atwood that the assembly authorize the Selectmen to appoint a representative committee of the various civic groups of the Town to study, survey, and pursue the possibility of the best use of the three buildings—civic center, veterans' hall and the old fire station.

The Moderator appointed the Finance Committee for the year to be as follows: John Cambra, Main St.; Earle Smith, Williams St.; Gordon Spinney, Summer St.; Roger Perry, School St.; Osman Crotty, Lincoln Ave.; Kenneth H. Holmes, Horton St.; and Arthur C. Staples, Somerset Ave.

Meeting adjourned at 11:06 P. M.

On April 26, 1960, the regular Presidential Primary was held in the three Precincts. The total votes by precincts were as follows:

	A	B	C	Total
Democratic Party	10	3	19	32
Republican Party	18	22	13	53
Total votes cast				85

A Special Town Meeting was held at Town Hall on August 17, 1960 and was called to order at 7:30 P. M. by Stafford H. Hambly, Moderator.

VOTED: To dispense with the reading of the warant.

(1) VOTED: On motion made by Clayton Atwood and seconded that the Town vote to accept a proposed layout of Horton Street as shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk and to authorize and accept a proposed taking by eminent domain or purchase, as provided by the General Laws of Massachusetts, by the Selectmen of the Town of Dighton, for the purpose of constructing, altering, locating or repairing a highway in said Dighton, known as Horton Street, as shown on a plan of said proposed layout of Horton Street, entitled "Plan of Horton Street in the Town of Dighton, Bristol County, Scale 40′ to the inch—L. E. Curran & Associates, Civil Engineers, April 15, 1960," said plan being on file with the Town Clerk, certain parcels of land in fee with all rights,

easements, privileges, and appurtenances thereto, including all fixtures, buildings, structures affixed thereto, and all trees, including shade trees, fruit trees, shrubs and stone walls.

There was no other business and the meeting adjourned at 7:33 P. M.

On September 13, 1960 the State Primary Elections were held in the three precincts. The total votes by precincts were as follows:

	A	B	C	Total
Democratic Party	124	70	192	386
Republican Party	54	33	16	103
Total votes cast				489

On November 8, 1960 the national and state elections were held in the three precincts. The total votes by precincts were as follows:

	A	B	C	Total
	717	474	559	
Total votes cast				1750

A Special Town Meeting was held on November 16, 1960 at 7:30 P. M. and was called to order by Percy B. Simmons, Town Clerk. The warrant was read and motion requested for nomination of Moderator. Clayton Atwood was nominated and unanimously elected.

(1) The report of the Old Building Committee was given by Francis J. Torres as follows:

"REPORT OF OLD BULDING COMMITTEE

The Town Meeting authorized the Selectmen to appoint a committee representative of the several organizations using the facilities of Town owned buildings, to study and consider the best usage and possible disposition of the Veterans' Memorial Hall, the Civic Center and the South Fire Station.

The first meeting of the committee was called on May 11, 1960 with nineteen persons in attendance. It was resolved to await a reply from the commissioners of the Dighton Water District relative to their consideration of possible usage of the South Station.

The Committee voted to table any further consideration of the Civic Center as a meeting place of the Girl Scout organization, inasmuch that the Girl Scout officials are quite content with the prevailing circumstances.

The Committee further resolved to await the results of a meeting of parties interested in establishing a Youth Program to be centered around Vets. Memorial Hall. Considerable interests appeared to prevail in support of a community sponsorship.

The second meeting of the Committee was held on Oct. 26, 1960 in the Town Offices, with nine in attendance. It was resolved, after hearing it reported that the Water District cannot consider the usage of the Old South Station, to offer the building for salvage purposes to benefit the Dighton Firemen's Association, and in the event of not accepting the offer, that the Committee recommend to the Town Meeting, the sale at public auction, otherwise authorize the Selectmen to demolish in a manner to be in the best interest of the Town.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Committee,

Clayton H. Atwood, Chairman, Board of Selectmen

VOTED: On motion made by William Benevides that the report be accepted as a report of progress, and that the Town act upon the Committee recommendation to dispose of the old South Station under Article 2.

(2) VOTED: On motion made by Francis J. Torres that the Town vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, subject to the approval of the Board of Selectmen to sell at public auction, the building located on Main Street, formerly used as the South Fire Station, and in the event of failure of a satisfactory sale, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to demolish said building in such manner as would most benefit the Town.

(3) VOTED: On motion made by William Benevides that the Town vote to appropriate and transfer from Surplus Revenue $403.75 for the purpose of defraying interest charges on an anticipation of Revenue Loan.

(4) VOTED: On motion made by Francis Torres that the Town vote to appropriate and authorize the transfer of $165.00 of funds in the Treasury as received for burglary indemnification, to the Town Office Account.

(5) VOTED: On motion made by William Benevides that the Town vote to appropriate and transfer from Surplus Revenue $1,298.00 for the purpose of defraying costs of replacement of the Town safe in the Treasurer's Office.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 P. M.

ATTEST:

PERCY B. SIMMONS,
Town Clerk

DOGS LICENSED IN 1960

Males	279
Females	27
Spayed Females	100
Kennels	6
Total	412

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DIGHTON DURING 1960

Month	Name	Parents
JANUARY		
5	Barbara Jean Smith	Thomas Francis & Dorothy Mary Dugan Smith
9	Katherine Jean Silva	William Lawrence & Carolyn Jean Pabst Silva
22	Cheryl Ann Corey	Alfred A. & Alice Correia Corey
26	Robin Ann Botelho	Louis Everett & Lillian Carpenter Botelho
31	Judith Lynne Swauger	Gene & Eileen Rose Swauger
FEBRUARY		
8	Paula Ann Rasmussen	John & Lillian LaCroix Rasmussen
8	Owen George Rebello	George & Ann Margaret McKenna Rebello
10	Cathy Jean Vincent	Joseph & Catherine Edna Smith Vincent
14	Michael Peter Hoffshire	Paul James & Carol E. Duhamel Hoffshire
16	Robert Silvia	Alvin & Beatrice Louise Gracia Silvia
22	Ronald Richard Corey	Edmund R. & Helen Louise Medeiros Corey
27	Lee Thayer Henry	Richard L. & Loris Norma Thayer Henry
MARCH		
5	William Edward Cronan	William Leo & Mary Elenor Foley Cronan
15	Paul Anthony Burke	Paul A. & Margaret E. Crooks Burke
15	Cynthia Louise McQuade	James A. & Elizabeth Carvalho McQuade
22	Mark Joseph Benoit	Lawrence & Luella Littlefield Benoit
27	Darin Joseph Carei	Joseph Lawrence & Mary Jane Elizabeth Toomy Carei
28	Jeffrey Bruce Dandeneau	Arthur S. & Beverly Anne Bruce Dandeneau
30	Julie Gustafson	Edward Alden & Barbara Marie Denbow Gustafson
APRIL		
1	Neil Harper Martin	Richard Kelly & Nancy Claire Regan Martin
5	Craig Thomas Nichols	Edward Francis & Lucille Phylis Menard Nichols
8	Barry Walter Gilbert	Charles Marsden & Joan Lis Rounds Gilbert
30	Lance Michael Lonsdale	Richard John Dye & Frances Ann Godwin Lonsdale

MAY		
2	Debra Ann Descoteaux	Henry D. & Joan A. Brazil Descoteaux
5	Beth Ann Berube	Edward Maurice & Geraldine Y. DiMonte Berube
5	Lesa Jo Weekley	Arthur Richard & Mary Fay Cavanagh Weekley
14	David Lawrence Dupont	David L. & Eleanor N. Souza Dupont
14	Mary Elizabeth Burke	Richard J. & Betty Jo Durkee Burke
15	Douglas Paul Roy	Edward Wilson & Jeanne Elizabeth Morris Roy
16	Robert LaFrance	Robert Joseph & Shirley Mary Smith LaFrance
19	Dianne Louise Compos	Antone & Helen E. Sykes Compos
19	David Louis Compos	Antone & Helen E. Sykes Compos
20	Judith Ann Jacome	Antone F. & Kathleen Medeiros Jacome
26	Beth Marie Parchesco	Richard A. & Marion L. Souza Parchesco
27	Brett Lee Martin	Robert Lee & Marilyn Lee Masse Martin
31	Gail Louise Henderson	Warren & Barbara Adams Henderson
JUNE		
3	Barry Charles Horton	Maynard F. & Barbara May Sears Horton
4	Scott Anthony Marques	Joseph Anthony & Jane E. Andrews Marques
6	Gregory Sanson	Manuel L., Jr. & Dorothy Farias Sanson
9	Mary Ann Jackson	Joseph Donald & Helen Jarosik Jackson
25	Barbara Rae Hamilton	Walter E. & Alberta C. Snow Hamilton
28	James Costa	Joseph, Jr. & Mary Davis Costa
JULY		
17	Richard James Dermody	Richard James & Ethel Baxter-Green Dermody
19	James Vincent Scully	Vincent Francis & Margaret Ann Synan Scully
22	Bradford Jan Leonard	Roger Clayton & Patricia Jean Ellis Leonard
30	Margaret Ann McKenna	Charles E. & Betty Ann Stark McKenna
AUGUST		
9	Mitchell Lake Brewer	Earl & Natalie Sylvia Brewer
10	Sara Alice Ward	Ronald Austin & Joyce Corinne Wuchert Ward
11	Cheryl Ann Kaszyk	Joseph & Harriet S. Field Kaszyk
12	Lance Peter Cummings	Robert W. & Elizabeth Jean Gurney Cummings
24	Richard John Sylvia	Richard John & Mary Benevides Sylvia
27	Joseph Carvalho	Joseph & Olive S. Frizado Carvalho
30	Danny Carpenter, Jr.	Danny & Delores M. Charves Carpenter

SEPTEMBER

1	(Stillborn) O'Connell	William Michael & Patricia Ann Blake O'Connell
2	Joseph Albert Hathaway	Joseph Charles & Della Wagner Hathaway
2	Scott Francis Ferrie	Daniel & Florence L. Rose Ferrie
7	Robert David Brown	Lloyd W. & Hilda Ferreira Brown
8	Lawrence Lounsberry	Frederick M. & Doreen A. Pemberton Lounsberry
12	Kevin Lawrence Carpenter	Laurence & Emily A. Carr Carpenter
15	..... Alwardt	Henry & Marjorie Wilkinson Alwardt
21	Susan Pamela Torres	Robert Charles & Patricia Ann Kelliher Torres
23	Cheryl Ann Fostin	George Robert & Dorothea May Hilton Fostin
26	Lorraine Duarte	William & Lorraine M. Motta Duarte
28	Thomas Timothy Clifford, Jr.	Thomas T. & Margaret M. Clemmey Clifford
30	Robert James Ferreira	Edward M. & Lorraine S. Belanger Ferreira

OCTOBER

4	Lee-Ann Constantine	Alvan & Rosemary O'Connell Constantine
5	John Edmund Lema	John & Mary Arruda Lema
10	William Russell Cleary	William Russell & Mary Hallam Cole Cleary
15	Jeanmarie Ann Hennessey	Robert Lawrence & Mary Elizabeth Consolo Hennessey
15	Pamela DeCambra	John F. & Mariann Flores DeCambra
19	Barry James White	Manuel & Helen Gertrude Lawry White
25	Patrick Joseph McCarthy	Edward Francis & Dorothy May Greenhalgh McCarthy
28	Diane Heneghen	Anton A. & Janice C. Gadboise Heneghen
28	Mary Beth Hebert	Vincent F. & Elizabeth J. Torres Hebert

NOVEMBER

1	George Louis Goulart, Jr.	George L. & Laura K. Constantine Goulart
4	Barrett Latimer Steele	Vernon H. & Marie Estelle Latimer Steele
15	Diane Jeanne Allie	Arthur Joseph & Claire Vivian Vermette Allie
30	Patricia Katon	Antone R. & Mary T. McGann Katon

DECEMBER

13	Patricia Jean Wilkins	Walter James & Joan Dolores Souza Wilkins
17	Mary Alice Dutra	George Anthony & Maureen E. Welch Dutra
26	John Charles Green	Russell William & Sandra Isabel Rose Green
30	Cheryl Anne Phillips	David L. & Norma Anne Davis Phillips

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DIGHTON FOR 1960

JANUARY

6 Richard John Sylvia of Acushnet and Mary Benevides of Dighton.

11 William H. Ohler of Taunton and Ruth B. Chergosky of Taunton.

FEBRUARY

27 Edward Francis O'Connell of Dighton and Pearle Frances Josephine Gason of York, Pa.

MARCH

5 Walter B. Pittsley of Lakeville and Gladys L. Gilbert of Dighton.

24 John A. Rougas of Providence and Katherine Lavin of W. Barrington.

APRIL

21 Francis Xavier Maher, Jr. of New York and Carol S. Steele of Buffalo.

29 Martin Richard Booska of Quonset Point and Beatrice Mae Skuce of West Warwick.

MAY

7 Richard J. Boucher of Fairhaven and Joan E. Machado of Dighton.

7 Richard Joseph Andrade of Dighton and Eugenia M. Pontes of Dighton.

14 Francis G. Rose of Dighton and Mary Lou Berry of Taunton.

28 Maurice L. H. Cope of Taunton and Mary S. Macedo of Taunton.

JUNE

4 William M. Ferreira of Dighton and Ethlyn A. Ryder of Taunton.

4 Robert J. Wynne of Dighton and Jeanette S. Lincoln of Rehoboth.
11 Charles Joseph Benjamin of Taunton and Georgia Rose of Taunton.
11 Manuel R. Frizado of Taunton and Madeline A. Vincent of Taunton.
18 William Glen Johnson, Jr. of Lynn and Lois May Westcott of Rehoboth.
19 Frank L. Coughlan, Jr. of Taunton and Bette Louise Potter of Dighton.
22 Robert Leroy Frazer of Taunton and Edith Mary Leonard of Dighton.
25 Antone Perry of Taunton and Virginia M. Nunes of Dighton.
25 Charles Terry of Freetown and Janice LeFaivre of Dighton.
25 George L. Cardin of Taunton and Yvonne Mary (Bouchard) Gamache of Dighton.
30 Emery W. Lincoln of Dighton and Ruth Esther (Waterman) Minshull of Rehoboth.

JULY

1 Benjamin H. Adams, Jr. of Swansea and Myrna Dale Menges of Dighton.
2 Harold Whiteley, III of Freetown and Susan H. Hambly of Dighton.
2 Lawrence F. Bentley of Taunton and Eunice Eddy of Dighton.
9 Bruce W. Ellis of Dighton and Patricia A. Dunham of Middleboro.
18 Ronald David Pine of Dighton and Thelma Genevieve Sylvester of Taunton.

AUGUST

5 Richard Carpentier of Dighton and Dixie Flint of Berkley.
6 Raymond Perra of Taunton and Anne O'Connell of Dighton.
11 James J. McCambridge of Pawtucket and Elizabeth A. Cimino of Dighton.

13 Paul George Linden of Dighton and Irene (Lavoie) Dupuis of Providence.
13 John W. Reynolds of Tiverton and Theresa Medeiros of Dighton.
20 Richard J. Souza of Taunton and Margaret R. Borden of Dighton.
27 Robert Joseph Katon of Taunton and Judith E. Soares of Dighton.
28 William M. Melesky of Berkley and Elaine M. Broadbent of Dighton.

SEPTEMBER

3 Arnold Constantine of Dighton and Barbara A. Tavares of Somerset.
3 William Jack of Dighton and Constance Costa of Dighton.
10 Carroll Bruce Holmes of E. Harwich and Barbara Ann Pilling of E. Harwich.
10 William R. Adams of Dighton and Jean S. Slaunwhite of Dorchester.
10 Virgil M. Pontes of Dighton and Glorina B. Perrott of Nova Scotia.
17 David A. Carvalho of Dighton and Carol A. Goodwin of Berkley.
17 Joseph F. Cormier of Woburn and Nancy Silvia of Dighton.

OCTOBER

1 Kenneth G. Rubadou of Dighton and Irene A. Perry of Berkley.
8 David E. Johnson of W. Bridgewater and Beverly (Bowen) Valoze of Dighton.
11 Antone Morris of Taunton and Thelma E. (Parker) Kingsland of Dighton.
14 Charles Furmanik of Raynham and Antoinette Benevides of Dighton.
15 Arthur DiPetrillo of Providence and Virginia Ann (Lavin) Brunelli of W. Barrington.
29 Gilbert Amaral, Jr. of Dighton and Jo Ann Sheehan of Taunton.

29 Roland J. Neronha of Tiverton and Maurie A. Deslauriers of Dighton.

NOVEMBER

11 James G. Harbin of Alabama and Sandra M. LeForrest of Dighton.

12 William F. McCaffrey of Taunton and Barbara M. Mathews of Taunton.

19 Norman Frank Wallace of Fall River and Ruth Ann (Schulien) Conti of Fall River.

26 Antone Cordeira, Jr. of Fall River and Dorothy Paiva of Dighton.

DECEMBER

3 Joseph Thomas White of Dighton and Marlene Selina (Hayes) Logan of Attleboro.

22 Wendell Louis Hall Carr of Dighton and Phyllis JoAnn Raposa of Somerset.

26 James E. Silveira of Berkley and Edith M. Boyce of Dighton.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1960

Balance in Treasury, December 31, 1959	$165,899.06
Total Receipts in 1960	848,771.37
	$1,014,670.43
Selectmen's Warrants in 1960	845,511.90
Balance in Treasury, December 31, 1960	169,158.53
	$1,014,670.43

See Auditor's Report for detailed list of receipts and expenditures .

Respectfully submitted,

PERCY B. SIMMONS,

Town Treasurer

DEATHS REGISTERED IN DIGHTON FOR THE YEAR 1960

Date	Name	Yrs.	Mos.	Days
JANUARY				
11	Harold Alden Gustafson	73	3	27
12	Jennie Thomas (Blake) Brightman	82	0	18
17	Baby Girl Dubois	Stillborn		
27	James William Bacon	52	7	25
27	Raymond A. Butler	63	—	—
31	Evelyn I. (Leonard) Staples	83	5	5
FEBRUARY				
5	Robert Colin Woods		1	8
5	William F. Driscoll	72	2	28
15	Delphine (Faria) Dutra	84	4	29
18	Jesse R. Rogers	71	—	—
25	Idola (Gelinas) Boucher	46	—	—
27	John Souza	81	11	14
MARCH				
1	Clarence W. Morse	65	—	—
4	Anna (Fosberg) Smith	65	4	9
13	Helen E. (Simmons) Perry	70	1	22
22	Macie (Smith) Walker	80	6	12
26	Henry W. Wheeler	85	4	19
27	Stephen B. Gardiner	82	6	11
APRIL				
6	Margaret L. (Greenlaw) Chase	94	11	6
MAY				
1	Joseph Maddock	67	—	—
JUNE				
3	Joseph D. O'Connell	63	1	11
5	Kenneth Chase	61	8	8
6	Marilyn Lee (Masse) Martin	23	9	27
11	Maria D. (Rego) Lema	73	10	—

11	Arthur Weston Clapp	69	1	21
14	Aldege Jusseaume	53	—	—
17	Earl Borden	86	3	27
18	Leila (Scudder) Joslyn	78	3	29
22	Harry H. Chase	65	—	10
29	Ernest W. J. Molden	83	6	28
JULY				
1	Arthur Joseph Yelle	75	—	—
4	Henry J. Collis	86	11	21
9	George Albert Reed	68	0	29
AUGUST				
2	Edwin R. Wyeth	73	7	28
3	Edward M. O'Connell	48	3	24
18	Eugene K. Tobey	72	9	18
26	Richard John Sylvia	—	—	—
29	Nellie (Currier) Horrocks	92	10	20
30	Catherine (Howe) Preston	68	10	12
SEPTEMBER				
1	Baby Boy O'Connell	Stillborn		
2	Louis D. Gamache	69	3	—
8	Edward W. Hall	79	9	20
26	Jessie (Reise) Perry	73	10	25
OCTOBER				
11	Peter R. Thomas	38	—	—
12	Claire V. (McCarthy) Lavigne	38	4	17
13	Margaret (Davis) Gifford	86	10	2
21	Marion Roderick, Jr.	59	—	—
NOVEMBER				
13	Antone Silvia Corey	62	5	8
13	Margaret A. (Langton) Marsden	85	10	7
20	William E. Somerville	76	1	24
28	Isabel C. (Pensilario) Enos	72	—	30
DECEMBER				
20	Joseph Enos Sousa	93	—	—
28	Elmer J. Wheeler	85	0	5

REPORT OF CEMETERY FUND

	Amount of Fund	On Deposit 12/31/59	Interest in 1960	Total on Deposit	Paid Out	Balance 12/31/60
Harriet M. Briggs	$200.00	$249.56	$7.85	$257.41		$257.41
Submit Babbitt	50.00	61.05	2.14	63.19	1.00	62.19
Mary J. Briggs	100.00	135.78	4.72	140.50	3.00	137.50
Edgar A. Essex	200.00	243.92	7.66	251.58	3.00	248.58
Ebenezer Gay	50.00	57.10	2.00	59.10	1.00	58.10
William D. Goff Lot	100.00	123.62	4.30	127.92	2.00	125.92
Bliss—Arthur A. Hathaway	200.00	234.76	7.38	242.14	4.00	238.14
Nancy C. Jones	150.00	179.48	5.65	185.13	3.00	182.13
Dr. A. J. Smith	150.00	184.14	5.09	189.23	4.00	185.23
Martha L. Smith	50.00	53.42	1.47	54.89	1.00	53.89
Oliver P. Simmons	721.00	721.00	25.45	746.45	22.00	724.45
Sarah Babbitt Lot	100.00	216.58	6.80	223.38	7.00	216.38
Joseph Gooding	142.75	171.12	5.86	176.98	10.00	166.98
Josephine G. Thaxter Lot	100.00	119.45	3.76	123.21	3.00	120.21
William Walker	250.00	251.28	8.68	259.96	10.00	249.96
Jesse P. Goff	100.00	108.13	3.39	111.52	1.00	110.52
George H. Horton	100.00	178.82	5.61	184.43	8.00	176.43
E. & J. Lincoln	200.00	217.94	6.85	224.79	6.00	218.79
Gilbert Strange	300.00	304.70	9.58	314.28	9.00	305.28
Josiah R. Talbot	100.00	172.42	6.07	178.49		178.49
Emery White	100.00	109.34	3.43	112.77	2.00	110.77

CEMETERY FUNDS—continued

	Amount of Fund	On Deposit 12/31/59	Interest in 1960	Total on Deposit	Paid Out	Balance 12/31/60
Emeline Williams	100.00	110.50	3.89	114.39		114.39
Charles E. Carr	500.00	530.66	16.69	547.35	16.00	531.35
Isabelle W. Snow	100.00	102.51	2.83	105.34	4.00	101.34
N. Allen Walker	150.98	269.26	9.12	278.38	21.30	257.08
Briggs Lot	125.00	160.85	5.41	166.26	14.00	152.26
Joshua Bliss	5000.00	5472.77	172.34	5645.11	130.00	5515.11
Bliss—Westcoat	200.00	236.87	7.44	244.31	2.50	241.81
David W. Francis	100.00	138.08	4.87	142.95	2.50	140.45
Albert F. Goff	50.00	57.36	1.61	58.97	1.50	57.47
Elbridge G. Francis	200.00	232.62	7.32	239.94	2.50	237.44
George E. Francis	100.00	182.44	6.43	188.87	2.50	186.37
Benjamin F. Goff	100.00	143.73	4.51	148.24	2.50	145.74
Emerson W. Goff	100.00	126.50	4.45	130.95	2.50	128.45
Ephira Goff	100.00	120.96	3.78	124.74	2.50	122.24
Truman N. Goff	100.00	142.96	4.49	147.45	2.50	144.95
Zenas H. Goff	200.00	266.62	9.40	276.02	2.50	273.52
John H. Harlow	100.00	115.60	3.63	119.23	2.00	117.23
Alfred A .Horton	100.00	113.79	3.57	117.36	2.00	115.36
John H. Horton	100.00	118.21	4.17	122.38	2.00	120.38
Nelson Horton	100.00	172.70	5.42	178.12	2.00	176.12
Job Paull	100.00	137.85	4.85	142.70		142.70

CEMETERY FUNDS—continued

	Amount of Fund	On Deposit 12/31/59	Interest in 1960	Total on Deposit	Paid Out	Balance 12/31/60
Robert S. Waterman	100.00	124.10	4.38	128.48	2.50	125.98
Etta Westcott	100.00	118.45	3.72	122.17	.50	121.67
Westcott & McNally	200.00	214.88	5.94	220.82	3.00	217.82
Francis J. Wheeler	100.00	127.15	4.48	131.63	2.50	129.13
Shubel Wheeler	100.00	112.90	3.14	116.04	1.50	114.54
Thomas B. Witherell	100.00	129.97	4.07	134.04	2.00	132.04
Helen C. Briggs	75.00	81.08	2.55	83.63	3.00	80.63
Sylvanus Jones	100.00	178.60	5.61	184.21	9.00	175.21
Nathan Walker	100.00	105.18	3.68	108.86	2.00	106.86
Wendell Weed	100.00	117.48	4.06	121.54	4.00	117.54
Williams Lot	100.00	187.47	6.53	194.00	4.00	190.00
Rufus P. Horton	400.00	400.00	8.53	408.53	5.00	403.53

JURY LIST 1960-1961

Name	Occupation	Address	Post Office
Andrews, Inez S.	At Home	Wellington St.	Dighton
Andrews, William	Conservation Service	Wellington St.	Dighton
Buckley, Francis A.	Shipper	243 Summer St.	No. Dighton
Buckley, Francis W.	Retired Steam Fitter	221 School St.	No. Dighton
Buckley, Rhea	At Home	221 School St.	No. Dighton
Carvalho, George C.	Farmer	172 Main St.	Dighton
Cash, Frank	Truck Driver	Main St.	Dighton
Chase, Persis	Compressor Opr.	Main St.	Dighton
Costa, Roger	Shipper	Center St.	No. Dighton
Cummings, Eleanor F.	At Home	131 Lincoln Ave.	No. Dighton
Denbow, Sherlock W.	Farmer	Williams St.	Dighton
Donle, Catherine	At Home	60 Pine St.	Dighton
Duarte, Emma	At Home	Williams St.	No. Dighton
Grace, Edward E.	Laborer	Milk St.	Dighton
Gray, Gertrude	At Home	Wellington St.	Dighton
Heinig, Mary I.	At Home	57 Summer St.	No. Dighton
Hodson, James F.	Tool Grinder	Spring St.	No. Dighton
Holmes, Kenneth H.	Cashier	Horton St.	Dighton
Horton, Leslie W.	Const. Equip. Opr.	Williams St.	Dighton
Ingham, John R.	Retired Watchman	110 School St.	No. Dighton
Knott, George	Textile Worker	31 Bedford St.	No. Dighton
Martin, Louise B.	At Home	School Lane	Dighton
Miguel, George	Farmer	35 Hart St.	Dighton
Miller, Dorothy M.	At Home	43 Somerset Ave.	No. Dighton
Miller, Walter	Stationary Fireman	43 Somerset Ave.	No. Dighton
Nascimento, Hilda	Clerk	64 Pine St.	Dighton
O'Connor, Dorothy L.	At Home	224 School St.	No. Dighton
O'Connor, Francis G.	Journeyman Electrician	224 School St.	No. Dighton
Pires, John	Farmer	Main St.	Dighton
Reed, Albert	Unemployed	Pleasant St.	Dighton
Ross, Norman	Cranston Print Works	Center St.	Segreganset
Sandager, William	Product Engineer	Williams St.	Dighton
Sloan, Margaret	At Home	Williams St.	Dighton
Torres, Charles A.	Salesman	Bedford St.	No. Dighton
Wall, Selma	At Home	76 Mt. Hope St.	No. Dighton
Webster, Thomas K.	Textile Worker	Somerset Ave.	Segreganset
Wilson, Myrtle	Bank Teller	Pleasant St.	Dighton

JURORS DRAWN DURING 1960

January 6, 1960

Mary L. Tedford, 7 Summer St., No. Dighton, Housewife.
Seth Dutra, Muddy Cove, Dighton, Farmer.
John Cobb, 108 Cedar St., Dighton, Jewelry Supervisor.

February 3, 1960

John Simas, 269 Summer St., No. Dighton, Maintenance Mechanic.

February 17, 1960

Blanche Andrews, New Somerset Ave., No. Dighton, At Home.
Lester T. McNulty, 258 Lincoln Ave., No. Dighton, laborer.

March 2, 1960

Alfred Morey, 59 Pine St., Dighton, Machine Operator.

March 17, 1960

William K. McCarthy, Jr., 36 Bedford St., No. Dighton, Adv. Solicitor.

March 30, 1960

William K. McCarthy, Sr., 36 Bedford St., No. Dighton, Salesman.

April 25, 1960

Earl W. Brewer, Pleasant St., Dighton, Chemical Operator.

April 27, 1960

Charles M. Gilbert, 35 School St., No. Dighton, Self-employed.
Wilhelmina Torres, Main St., Dighton, Unemployed.

October 5, 1960

Frank Cash, Main St., Dighton, Truck Driver.

November 22, 1960

Louise B. Martin, School Lane, Dighton, At Home.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Our annual report to the citizens of Dighton for the year of 1960 is as follows:

Appropriations

To be raised by taxation		$571,279.37	
To be taken from available funds:			
Voted in 1959	$2,345.00		
Voted in 1960	98,991.29		
			101,336.29
State Taxes		3,509.42	
County Tax and underestimates		15,559.78	
Tuberculosis Hospital assessment		6,121.07	
Overlay		32,889.66	
Amount to be raised			$730,695.59

Estimated Receipts

Income Tax	$51,448.78
Corporation Taxes	34,584.05
Old Age Tax	1,534.50
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise	29,114.86
Licenses	3,148.00
Fines	143.00
General Government	236.06
Protection of Persons & Property	92.76
Health & Sanitation	1,087.94
Highways	1,627.51
Charities	8,257.50
Old Age Assistance	20,256.43
Veterans' Services	2,342.19
School	59,675.58
Libraries	52.03
Interest	457.59
State Assistance for School Construction	11,792.02
Farm Animal Excise	194.93

Overestimates of 1959		1,656.78	
Transferred from available funds		101,336.29	
Total estimated receipts			$329,038.80
Net amount to be raised by taxes			$401,656.79
Number of Polls—1086			
Taxes assessed on Polls		$2,172.00	
Value of Personal Property	$525,383.00		
Taxes assessed on Personal		43,081.47	
Value of Real Estate	4,346,382.00		
Taxes assessed on Real Estate		356,403.32	
Total Valuation	$4,871,765.00		
Total Taxes			$401,656.79

Tax Rate—$82.00 per M

Total number of persons assessed	1,145
Number of acres of land assessed	12,641
Number of dwelling houses assessed	947
Number of businesses assessed	50
Value of exempt property	$2,282,731.00
Stock in trade	$52,575.00
Machinery	$26,600.00
Livestock	$2,083.75
All other tangible personal property	$444,125.00
Value of land	669,690.00
Value of buildings	$3,676,712.00

	Farm Animals Assessed	
	General	$5 Excise
Number of horses	1	6
Number of cattle	10	186
Yearlings: steers	2	46
Number of sheep	16	—
Number of fowl	175	6916
All Other	—	1

Taxes assessed on motor vehicles and trailers—$50,175.85

North Dighton Fire District

Appropriations		$19,891.00	
Overlay		394.14	
Gross amount to be raised			$20,285.14
Estimated receipts		$12,190.00	$12,190.00
Net amount to be raised by taxes			$ 8,095.14
Value of Personal Property	$28,175.00		
Taxes on Personal		$147.93	
Value of Real Estate	1,513,652.00		
Taxes on Real Estate		7,947.21	
Total Valuation	$1,541,827.00		
Total Taxes			$8,095.14
Water Liens added to taxes			$274.91

Tax Rate—$5.25 per M

Dighton Electric Light District

Appropriations		$3,895.00	
Overlay		273.32	
Gross amount to be raised			$4,168.32
Estimated receipts		None	
Net amount to be raised by taxes			$4,168.32
Value of Personal Property	$297,473.75		
Taxes on Personal		$699.36	
Value of Real Estate	1,554,785.00		
Taxes on Real Estate		3,498.96	
Total Valuation	$1,852,258.75		
Total Taxes			$4,168.32

Tax Rate—$2.25 per M

Dighton Water District

Appropriations		$45,208.51	
Transferred from available funds		1,500.00	
Overlay		443.39	
Gross amount to be raised			$47,151.90

Estimated receipts		$19,972.57	
Transfers		1,500.00	$21,472.57
Net amount to be raised by taxes			$25,679.33
Value of Personal property	$304,173.75		
Taxes on Personal		$3,650.09	
Value of Real Estate	1,835,770.00		
Taxes on Real Estate		22,029.24	
Total Valuation	$2,139,943.75		
Total Taxes			$25,679.33
Water Liens added to Taxes			$58.90

Tax Rate—$12.00 per M

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD M. MENDOZA,
Chairman

HOWELL S. CARR

LEO T. PIVIROTTO

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

To the Board of Selectmen:

On April 15, 1960 I was notified of my appointment and approval by Dr. Samuel B. Kirkwood, Commissioner of Public Health, as inspector of slaughtering for the Town of Dighton for the year ending March 31, 1961.

A report has been mailed to the Department of Public Health, Boston, Mass., monthly. I have not been called upon for any inspections of slaughtering.

Respectfully submitted,

ANTHONY N. SYLVIA,
Inspector of Slaughtering

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Personal Property	1957	1958	1959	1960
Outstanding December 31, 1959	$54.00	$160.41	$492.29	
Commitment				$43,081.47
Added Interest		8.80	2.74	.70
Total	54.00	169.21	495.03	43,082.17
Paid Treasurer		169.21	186.75	42,694.00
Abatements	54.00		184.38	10.25
Balance Due December 31, 1960			123.90	377.92
Total	54.00	169.21	495.03	43,082.17
Real Estate				
Outstanding December 31, 1959		3,193.32	10,664.71	
Commitment				356,579.62
Added Interest		191.62	149.81	56.22
Refunded abatements				168.10
Total		3,384.94	10,814.52	356,803.94
Paid Treasurer		3,237.72	6,760.17	329,913.99
Abatements		137.78	17.70	8,179.91

	1957	1958	1959	1960
Tax Title Account		9.44	9.44	390.32
Balance Due December 31, 1960			4,027.21	18,319.72
Total		3,384.94	10,814.52	356,803.94
Poll Taxes				
Outstanding December 31, 1959		6.00	72.00	
Commitment				2,172.00
Added Interest			.40	19.25
Added Fees			6.30	
Total		6.00	78.70	2,191.25
Paid Treasurer			22.70	1,775.25
Abatements		6.00	44.00	262.00
Balance Due December 31, 1960			12.00	154.00
Total		6.00	78.70	2,191.25
Farm Animal Excise				
Outstanding December 31, 1959			20.63	
Commitment				194.93
Added Interest			.15	.14
Total			20.78	195.07

	1957	1958	1959	1960
Paid Treasurer			18.90	142.52
Balance Due December 31, 1960			1.88	52.55
Total			20.78	195.07
Motor Vehicle Excise				
Outstanding December 31, 1959	458.51	385.11	9,851.92	
Commitment			9,316.55	40,859.30
Added Interest	5.78	10.85	56.60	
Refunded Abatements			537.77	474.09
Total	464.29	395.96	19,762.84	41,333.39
Paid Treasurer	96.15	227.99	17,377.44	33,829.42
Abatements	368.14		1,422.50	2,011.90
Balance due December 31, 1960		167.97	962.90	5,492.07
Total	464.29	395.96	19,762.84	41,333.39
North Dighton Fire District—Personal				
Outstanding December 31, 1959		10.50	11.03	
Commitment				147.93
Added Interest		.60		
Total		11.10	11.03	147.93

	1957	1958	1959	1960
Paid Treasurer		11.10		136.90
Balance due December 31, 1960			11.03	11.03
Total		11.10	11.03	147.93
North Dighton Fire District—Real Estate				
Outstanding December 31, 1959		66.25	276.70	
Commitment				7,947.21
Added Interest		4.29	5.12	.73
Total		70.54	281.82	7,947.94
Paid Treasurer		70.54	252.15	7,636.06
Balance due December 31, 1960			29.67	311.88
Total		70.54	281.82	7,947.94
North Dighton Fire District—Water Liens				
Commitment				274.91
Added Interest				.75
Total				275.66
Paid Treasurer				135.62
Balance due December 31, 1960				140.04
Total				275.66

	1957	1958	1959	1960
Dighton Water District—Personal Property				
Outstanding December 31, 1959	12.25	6.19	62.87	
Commitment				3,650.09
Added Interest		.46	.32	.03
Total	12.25	6.65	63.19	3,650.12
Paid Treasurer		6.65	21.78	3,611.83
Abatements	12.25		41.41	1.50
Balance due December 31, 1960				36.79
Total	12.25	6.65	63.19	3,650.12
Dighton Water District—Real Estate				
Outstanding December 31, 1959		318.45	1,696.47	
Commitment				22,029.24
Added Interest	21.42		16.38	4.24
Refunded abatements				6.00
Total		339.87	1,712.85	22,039.48
Paid Treasurer		338.87	1,047.92	20,353.36
Abatements				77.46
Tax Title Account		1.00	1.33	25.20
Balance due December 31, 1960			663.60	1,583.46
Total		339.87	1,712.85	22,039.48

	1957	1958	1959	1960
Dighton Water District—Water Liens				
Outstanding December 31, 1959		37.62	57.27	
Commitment				58.90
Added Interest		1.98		
Total		39.60	57.27	58.90
Paid Treasurer		39.60		
Balance due December 31, 1960			57.27	58.90
Total		39.60	57.27	58.90
Dighton Electrict Light District—Personal Property				
Outstanding December 31, 1959	2.15	1.30	9.96	
Commitment				669.36
Added Interest		.11	.13	.01
Total	2.15	1.41	10.09	669.37
Paid Treasurer		1.41	3.53	667.02
Abatements	2.15		6.56	.28
Balance due December 31, 1960				2.07
Total	2.15	1.41	10.09	669.37

	1957	1958	1959	1960
Dighton Electric Light District—Real Estate				
Outstanding December 31, 1959		56.89	170.12	
Commitment				3,498.96
Added Interest		3.90	1.62	.70
Total		60.79	171.74	3,499.66
Paid Treasurer		60.58	89.68	3,300.85
Abatements				13.40
Tax Title Account		.21	.21	4.74
Balance due December 31, 1960			81.85	180.67
Total		60.79	171.74	3,499.66

Respectfully submitted,

PERCY B. SIMMONS,
Tax Collector

REPORT OF THE DIGHTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit the following report of the Dighton Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1960.

The Department received 85 calls as follows: Automobile fires (5); Brush (2); Automobile accident (1); Chimney (6); Chemcial (3); Dump (5); Electrical service (1); False alarm (2); Flooded oil burner (1); Leaking acid (1); Leaking oil (1); Grass and brush (28); Incinerator (1); Mutual aid given (3); House (5); Greenhouse (1); Lumber (1); Remove Body from sluiceway (1); Tire Burning in road (1); Woods (11); Remove flag from pole (1); Rubbish (2); Shed (1).

The following are approximate figures on the amount of material and equipment used: 34,825 gallons of water, 10,150 feet of booster hose, 8,550 feet of forestry hose, 1,400 feet of 2½″ hose, 3,250 feet of 1½″ hose, 246 feet ladders, 19 hydrants.

Permits issued: Bottled gas (12), Oil burners (23), Explosives (9), Gas Tank inspections (4), Volatile fluid storage (1).

A standby was maintained at both stations during the storm and threat of high water on January 3, during the snow storm of March 5, during Hurricane Donna on September 12 and during the severe snow storm of December 12, 1960.

The portable generator was pressed into emergency service during the power loss due to Hurricane Donna.

The tank truck has been set up with a plow rig, and was used to great advantage in plowing out heavily drifted roads during the storm of December 12, 1960.

All radios have been narrowed, pertaining to deviation, as required by Federal law.

At the request of the Berkley Fire Dept., mutual aid was rendered by Dighton at a barn fire January 10, a barn fire February 26, a woods fire October 29, and in Taunton, at a drowning in Mill River on December 28, 1960.

Mutual aid was received by Dighton from Rehoboth Fire Dept. on December 12 and December 21; Swansea Fire Dept. also assisted at house fire on Williams St. on December 21, 1960.

A new station for South Dighton, voted by the people in March, is now in use. The first activity being the voting on November 7, 1960.

An old landmark is to vanish from the Dighton scene as the Old South Dighton Fire Station is to be removed, as Fire Department activities have been transferred to the new station.

The 50th Anniversary of the Dighton Firemen's Association was celebrated, and at that time, a mutual aid drill was held and eighteen cities and towns participated.

A Christmas Party for the children of the town was held on Sunday, December 18, goodies, gifts and a ride on the fire trucks was the program of the day.

I wish to thank the Town Officials and the Citizens of our town for the cooperation and assistance they have given the Fire Department and also for helping to keep our fire losses to a minimum during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY F. WILLIS,
Chief, Dighton Fire Dept. and
Forest Warden

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

The following is the police report for the year ending December 31, 1960.

The following arrests were made by the Dighton Police Department:

Assault & Battery (4), Non-support (3), Malicious Destruction (2), Statutory Rape (1), Escapee-Mental (2), Drunk (5), Oper. to endanger (2), Armed Robbery (2), Stolen Car (1), Driving under (2), Breaking & Entering in night (4), Breaking & Entering in daytime (3), Aiding in committing of a felony (2), Larceny under $100.00 (1), Lewd & Lascivious (1), Runaway (1), Threat to kill (1).

Summons served (41), Warrants (22), Ambulance calls (11), Emergency for oxygen (4), Missing persons located (5), Accidental death (1), Breaks (9), Stolen cars recovered (2), Gun permits to carry (10), License to sell (3).

I attended several meetings at various police associations, at which much valuable information was obtained.

I wish at this time to thank the Honorable Board of Selectmen, all agencies and citizens for their cooperation in maintaining order in the Town of Dighton. I would also like to thank the State Police for their assistance which has been most helpful.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. MASON,
Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE CIVILIAN DEFENSE DIRECTOR

To the Townspeople of Dighton:

Civil Defense continued to be active in weekly communication drills during 1960. School Officials aided by holding Civil Defense Aid Raid Drills, a program we hope to continue, in the schools of Dighton.

Dighton Civil Defense participated in a state wide, three day exercise drill in May, at which time, air raid signals were tested, schools evacuated, road blocks set up and traffic halted. On May 2, 1960 Open House was held at Veteran's Memorial Hall in the evening to acquaint the townspeople with emergency hospital supplies stored there. Unfortunately, only one person was interested enough to attend.

Over the Labor Day weekend, during state wide operation road watch, our Dighton Civil Defense Auxiliary Police assisted in traffic duty.

During Hurricane Donna, in September, auxiliary police and firemen assisted in the evacuating of families living along the waterfront. At this point, it cannot be stressed enough that, although Dighton is well equipped to assist in almost any emergency, more Civil Defense volunteers are needed.

I wish to thank the Town Officials and School Department Heads for their cooperation, also the Civil Defense Radio Officers, Auxiliary Police and Firemen and other volunteers who donate their time to keep Civil Defense organized, so that Dighton may benefit by having an active Civil Defense Organization.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED REBELLO,
Civil Defense Director

REPORT OF THE DIGHTON AMBULANCE

To the Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit the following report of the service rendered by the Dighton Ambulance and the men that operate it, for the year ending December 31, 1960.

During the year the ambulance made 88 trips as follows: To—Childrens Hospital, Boston (2); Deaconess Hospital, Boston (1); Dighton Nursing Home, Dighton (5); Longmeadow Nursing Home (1); Mass. General, Boston (2); Morton Hospital, Taunton (47); Pondville Hospital (1); Rosewood Rest Home, Taunton (1); Rose Hawthorne Lathrop, Fall River (1); St. Anne's Hospital, Fall River (1); Taunton State Hospital, Taunton (3); Truesdale Hospital, Fall River (3); Union Hospital, Fall River (3).

From—Morton Hospital (4); Childrens Hospital, Boston (1); Davis Park Veterans Hospital, Prov. (1); Longmeadow Nursing Home, Taunton (1); Pondville Hospital (1); Taunton State Hospital (1); Union Hospital, Fall River (2); Patients handled (88); Patients administered oxygen (9); Patients D.O.A. (5); Patients removed by other means, oxygen administered, patient not moved or D.O.A., ambulance not used or needed (6); Automobile accidents (2).

I wish to thank the Officers and members of the Dighton Fire Department who have manned the ambulance during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY F. WILLIS,
Chief, Dighton Fire Department

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

To the Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1960.

I have tested, adjusted and sealed the following:

23 scales—3 adjusted
15 automatic measuring devices—2 adjusted

Respectfully submitted,
DONALD B. HATHAWAY,
Sealer of Weights and Measures

REPORT OF THE SANITATION INSPECTOR

To the Board of Health:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my annual report as Sanitation Inspector of Dighton for the year 1960.

The following permits were issued:

Building permits:	
Alterations and additions	36
New dwellings	18
Demolish existing buildings	15
Trailers	8
Sanitation permits:	
Additions to disposal systems	26
New dwelling disposal systems	18
Trailer disposal systems	8

Respectfully submitted,
LEO A. DUFFY, R.S.,
Sanitation Inspector

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

To the Citizens of Dighton:

The following report for the year 1960 is herewith submitted.

Aid to Dependent Children aided 7 cases, representing 15 persons during the year. Total expenditures of $8,183.54 represents increase of $1,987.16 over previous year, due to increased case load. The Town appropriated $5,000.00 which was supplemented by U. S. Grants. Town appropriation was overdrawn, therefore, $782.04 was transferred from balance in Old Age Assistance account to meet the needs.

Disability Assistance aided 6 cases, with total expenditures of $5,455.15. Town appropriated $4,000.00 and balance was paid from U. S. Grants. This category showed very little variation in case load and expenditures over 1959. Balance in Town appropriation was $879.28.

General Relief aided 12 cases, representing 39 persons. The Town appropriated $9,000.00, however, this account showed a balance, due to decrease in case load, as well as expenditures in outside relief. The sum of $1,101.18 was paid to other cities and towns for reimbursement for outside relief and cases with a Dighton settlement, residing out of town. The sum of $6,889.82 was expended for cash, medical and maintenance costs for persons aided while residing in this town, however, approximately $2,700.00 accounts receivable are due for reimbursements from other cities and towns for cases having legal settlement outside of Dighton. This category also shows accounts receivable from the State, for approximately $800.00, for cases having no legal settlement in the Commonwealth. The net expense for cases having legal settlement in this town was very small. We are pleased to report that employable persons have not remained on relief for any length of time, as it has been our endeavor to have persons who are physically able to become self-supporting, do so.

Old Age Assistance aided 37 cases, with total expenditures of $39,975.18, including $792.76 paid to other cities and towns for outside relief. The Town appropriation of $28,000.00 showed a substantial balance of $3,402.00, due to decrease in case load. U. S. Grants supplemented the Town appropriation. Net expense to the Town is considerably low, due to reimbursements by U. S. Grants, which are applied directly to specified account; and in addition, participation from State as well as other cities and towns.

In accordance with Chapter 781, Acts of 1960, the new program known as Medical Assistance for the Aged, has been administered by this department. Four cases have received assistance under this program, with expense of $1,386.01. Federal reimbursements to be received are 50% of total costs. State participation amounts to 2/3 of balance, and the remainder a town expense, since there are no legal settlements involved.

Expenditures for administration of Public Assistance amounted to $3,365.75 with total reimbursements from U. S. Grants amounting to $2,695.72. State has participated in administration costs of Disability Assistance since the category originated in 1951. Chapter 871 of the Acts of 1960, effective October 1, 1960, provides for State financial participation in the amount of 25% for administrative expenditures of the programs of Medical Assistance for the Aged, Old Age Assistance, and Aid to Dependent Children. Thus, there will be State administrative reimbursement of 25% for all public assistance programs except General Relief.

The Christmas Fund contribution of $500.00 from the Taunton Greyhound Association, Inc. was again gratefully acknowledged and received.

Sincere thanks are expressed to the various Organizations, Boy Scouts, and individuals who donated Thanksgiving and Christmas Baskets and gifts to needy families.

To the State Department of Public Welfare, District Office #5, and Bureau of Accounts, we express our apprecia-

tion for assistance in the administration of the various categories of relief.

This department is grateful to all Town Officials, Organizations and Personnel for the splendid cooperation and services rendered.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM F. BENEVIDES,
Chairman
CLAYTON H. ATWOOD,
FRANCIS J. TORRES,
Board of Public Welfare
BELLA M. BOUCHER,
Director of Public Assistance

PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT

To the Selectmen of the Town of Dighton:

I herewith submit my report for the year 1960:

Total circulation of books and magazines	14,507
Adult books	7,889
Juvenile books	6,618
Magazines	569
Number of persons using reading room	863
Collected in fines	$45.49

During the year 297 books were added, 4 of which were gifts. Two sets of encyclopedias, plus a **Picture Atlas of the World** were placed in the reference section.

Respectfully submitted,

EMILY C. PILLING,
Librarian

REPORT OF THE TOWN NURSE

To the Board of Health:

Gentlemen:

Four clinics for protection against Polio were held during 1960. Early evening clinics were arranged so adults could take advantage of this service. Since the beginning of this program, about two thousand have received these protective shots. One hundred and sixty one received inoculations for protection against diptheria, whooping cough and tetanus. Twenty three children were vaccinated against small pox. We had no epidemics of contagious diseases.

Visits were made to all pre-mature infants. This is a service provided by local Boards of Health for the Massachusettts Department of Public Health-Division of Maternal and Child Health Services.

Miss Mildred Foster the District Supervisor, held two meetings with a group of local nurses, both school and public health. At the first meeting in Seekonk, Mr. Vokey of the Bristol County Health Association explained patch testing for T.B. in the schools. In the Fall the second meeting was held in Swansea at the Board of Health office. Merits and disadvantages of the testing program carried on in Westport and Somerset, from the nurses point of view, were discussed, as well as problems common to all, new medications and new phases in daily work.

During the Hurricane in September, I was on duty at the Elementary School—Civil Defense Shelter, where about sixty persons received shelter for six to eight hours. Over a hundred people were fed, some coming in for food after the storm had subsided; coffee was provided for Police, Firemen and all on duty during the storm.

I again served as secretary of the Dighton Unit of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children and also secretary of the Dighton Service Unit of the

Salvation Army. As a Board member, I attended meetings of the Bristol County Mental Health Association.

I wish to express my thanks to members of the Board of Health for their support and cooperation and to all who so generously gave their time and help at the Clinics.

Respectfully submitted,

ESTHER BOWDEN, R.N.,
Town Nurse

REPORT OF THE HARBOR MASTER

To the Board of Selectmen:

Our harbor survived Hurricane Donna of last fall very successfully. It came with such surprise that most of the boats were left on their moorings. Your Harbor Masters are pleased to report that none of the moorings dragged which were holding boats of the size planned for them. The two moorings that did drag, had larger boats on them than they were rated for. Three of the boats that went ashore, cut themselves off due to poor mooring chocks and gear.

The mooring area of our harbor is now being used to capacity, with very few, if any, mooring spots available.

The barge on the opposite shore on state land, still poses a threat to our mooring area if it should go adrift on an extra high water.

The dredged channel is in need of checking and some dredging to maintain the charted depths.

Respectfully submitted,

ARNOLD B. SHAW,
Harbor Master

REPORT OF THE TOWN HISTORIAN

To the Townspeople of Dighton :

The first item in the town meeting records of Dighton is as follows:

"At a town meeting legally warned in Dighton September the 9: 1712: to tak account of town's Debts

	L S d
Mr. Fisher's Salary this present year	50-00-00
Captain Talbot obtaining precink and township	17-18-07
Edward Pall Diating Schoolmaster for the year 1711	05-00-00
Thomas Jones Diating Schoolmaster same year	02-10-00
Leftenant Pitts Diating Schoolmaster same year	02-10-00
Edward Shove making rates for year 1711	00-07-00
Samuel Waldron making rates same year	00-06-00
Joseph Wood making rates same year	00-06-00
Leftenant Pitts	00-04-00
Samuel Whitmarsh	00-02-00
Richard Haskins	00-01-04
Constable Matthew Briggs gathering Mr. Fisher's rates	03-07-06
for building the ferry boat	03-07-06

all voted the day and year above written

Joseph Deane, Town Clerk"

This account may be mildly interesting to you who enjoy studying growth and change in American living, but it becomes more interesting if you know that Mr. Fisher was the preacher who was hired for his lifetime; that Captain Talbot won a real contest in the General Court of the Massachusetts Bay Colony and in Taunton Town Meeting to obtain the township; that Leftenant Pitts, an officer in the Bristol County militia, lost his life in the Indian Wars; that people on the east side of Taunton River might use the town ferry boat free of charge to come to church; that descendants of the men mentioned, are living today in Dighton, Berkley or Taun-

ton, though names are seldom the same. Daughters evidently married and stayed, while sons migrated to the West.

An adequate history must be built on more than town meeting records. Our records are well preserved and are a credit to the town, but town meeting records can merely hint at events and activities.

Some of you citizens of Dighton must have learned from your parents and grandparents, tales of other days in this town. Perhaps you citizens of Portuguese descent know stories of the adventures of your ancestors in settling here. Perhaps someone has information of early industries.

If you have such information, please share it with me sometime before May first. You may be sure that information that seems trifling to you will probably seem important to your Town Historian.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN H. LANE,
Town Historian

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

To the Board of Selectmen:

All stray dogs picked up and not claimed by their owners were held for ten days, then turned over to the County Dog Officer.

All dog bites were reported to the proper authorities and owners of dogs were requested to restrain their dog for the fourteen day period.

All complaints were taken care of satisfactorily.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. MASON,
Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

At the organizational meeting, June G. Hambly was elected Chairman and Wilfred A. Rhines, Clerk of Board. It developed, after several meetings, that Mrs. Hambly was unable to attend on a regular basis due to illness. It was decided by the Board to elect a Vice Chairman, to conduct the meetings until her return. The Board unanimously elected Mr. Milton Kossoi to fill this post.

During the year, all plans presented to the Board were reviewed pursuant to Subdivision Control Law; with ten plans being approved as not requiring Subdivision Control and six signed under the Subdivision Act.

Pursuant to the will of the people as voted at the last Town Meeting, the Board met with the Selectmen to devise a workable prospectus for a House Numbering and Renumbering System. Once this was done, both Boards reviewed five proposals submitted by professional planners. It was the decision of both Boards that Blair Associates of Providence, Rhode Island be awarded the contract in the amount of $2,000.00. The sixty day time limit was extended by the Selectmen, due to unforeseen delays.

The Vice Chairman attended both Regional and Federation meetings regularly.

The resignation of Milton Kossoi was accepted in December and his term was filled by the appointment of Mr. LeForrest, who is to serve until the next regular town meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

JUNE G. HAMBLY, Chairman
WILFRED A. RHINES, Clerk
RICHARD E. BABBITT
MILTON HORTON
LAWSON LeFORREST
Planning Board

REPORT OF THE PLAYGROUND COMMISSIONERS

Through the efforts of Charles Brooks, the Little League Field was made ready for opening day. We would like to thank Mr. Brooks for the exceptional job he did for the Commission in caring for the North Field and the Little League Field during the season.

1960 was a successful year for the Playgrounds, with good attendance at both play areas and diversified programs that included pet shows, doll carriage parades and instructions in various field games by the Supervisors.

Once again it was possible to send the children to Fenway Park for "Children's Day" and also a side trip to Franklin Park was enjoyed by over 150 children making the trip.

We thank both Supervisors for a job well done, and are looking forward to an even better year to come.

Respectfully submitted,
EDWARD ANTUNES, Chairman
WILFRED A. RHINES, Secretary
DAVID HORTON
Playground Commissioners

REPORT OF VETERANS' AGENT

To the Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

Assistance was granted to all eligible veterans and dependents who applied for benefits during the year.

The Town appropriation of $6,000.00 was inadequate, therefore, it was necessary to transfer the sum of $1,195.00 from another account, to meet the needs in this department. Total expenditures amounted to $7,195.48, for benefits to 9 cases, representing 21 persons, including administrative expense of $334.78.

State reimbursements amounted to $2,542.29. The sum of $423.59 was refunded to the town in accordance with discharge of assignment for one case; however, the amount due State is $211.79 or 50% of total refund.

Sincere thanks are expressed to the State Department of Veterans' Services for assistance in the administration of this category of relief. The cooperation of Town Officials is also appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,
THEODORE BOUCHER,
Veterans' Agent

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

To the Board of Selectmen:

The report of the Inspector of Animals for the year of 1960 is as follows:

I have visited and inspected 51 barns and found the following number of animals:

Cows	308
Heifers	95
Bulls	7
Horses	21
Sheep	78
Swine	54
Steers	10
Goats	6

The animals appeared healthy and the barns for the most part were clean. The inspection book was mailed to the Division of Livestock Disease Control, 41 Tremont St., Boston, on December 28, 1960.

Respectfully submitted,
ANTHONY N. SYLVIA,
Inspector of Animals

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Citizens of Dighton:

The Board of Health, in providing health and sanitation service for 1960 spent $3,742.74, leaving a balance of $582.26 from the appropriation of $4325.00.

During the summer, the people in this area were deeply concerned over the Polio epidemic in the neighboring State of Rhode Island. The Town conducted four polio clinics in a successful attempt to prevent any outbreak of the disease in Dighton.

We wish to extend the thanks of the Board to Dr. Charles M. Souza and Mrs. Esther Bowden for the efficient manner in which they conducted the Polio and Immunization and Pre-School Clinics.

The Board was able to acquire the services of Mr. Leo Duffy as Sanitation Inspector to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Mr. Clayton H. Atwood. In carrying out his duties as Sanitation Inspector, Mr. Duffy made fifty-two inspections during the year. These included inspections on new installations, additions and alterations of present cess-pools.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS J. TORRES, Chairman
WILLIAM F. BENEVIDES
CLAYTON H. ATWOOD
Board of Health

LICENSES ISSUED DURING 1960

The following licenses were issued during 1960: All Alcoholic Club License (2), All Alcoholic Common Victualer License (2),All Alcoholic Package Store License, (2) Automobile Dealer's License—Class II (2), Class III (2), Cabin License (2), Common Victualler's License (13), Dancing (1), Day Child Care License (1), Denatured Alcohol License (5), Gaso-

line & Fuel Oil Storage (1), Junk Collector (3), Auctioneer's License (2), Ice Cream Manufacturer's License (1), Garbage Permits (1), Gravel Permits (3), Gravel Renewal Permit (2), Entertainment on the Lord's Day License (1), Oleomargarine Licenses (10), Milk Licenses—Store (14), Vehicles (5), Oyster Bed Privileges (1), Temporary Wine & Malt Beverages (5), Building Permits— New Construction (20), Alteration (40), Sanitation Permits (33), Sausage Permit (1), Lord's Day (13), Permits to Demolish (15), Trailer Permits (8).

A dog racing meeting license to conduct a dog racing meet was issued to the Rehoboth Fair, Inc. beginning Sept. 26, to Oct. 1, 1960. Two dog racing meeting licenses were issued to the Taunton Greyhound Association, Inc., one beginning Aug. 27, to Sept. 24, 1960 and the other beginning Oct. 3, to Oct. 31, 1960.

REPORT OF THE MILK INSPECTOR

To the Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit my report for the year 1960.

LICENSES ISSUED:

14 Milk (Store) Licenses
5 Milk (Vehicle) Licenses
10 Oleo Licenses

SANITARY INSPECTIONS:

All the dairy barns in Dighton were inspected a minimum of two times during the year.

Two violations of sediment and foreign material in the milk were investigated and the conditions corrected.

LABORATORY INSPECTIONS:

Babcock Tests	219
Standard Plate Counts	217
Coliform Counts	217

Respectfully submitted,
THOMAS J. O'BRIEN, V. M.D.,
Milk Inspector

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my first annual report as the Superintendent of Streets for the year 1960. The program for all Highway work was established after the Town Meeting, when the Selectmen and the State Aid Engineers agreed to the various projects to be undertaken. All State Aid work was completed before Deceember 1, which is the deadline. However, because of hurricane "Donna" of September 12, the Town program of general highway maintenance and improvement was delayed.

I recommend that consideration be given to appropriating like amounts for general highway improvements and that serious thought be directed toward more and modern equipment for the Department.

I appreciate the cooperation of the Board and also express my gratitude to Mr. Parker Carr, Engineer of Public Works, for his advice and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND COSTA,
Superintendent of Streets

AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Citizens and Taxpayers of the Town of Dighton:

Herewith is a report of the financial transactions of the Town of Dighton for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1960.

Classification of Treasurer's Receipts for 1960

Cash Balance as of January 1, 1960		$165,911.51
Received from Town Collector:		
1957 Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	$ 90.37	
1958 Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	217.14	
1959 Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	17,320.84	
1960 Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	33,829.42	
		$ 51,457.77
1958 Personal Property Taxes	160.41	
1959 Personal Property Taxes	184.01	
1960 Personal Property Taxes	42,693.30	
1959 Poll Taxes	16.00	
1960 Poll Taxes	1,756.00	
1958 Real Estate Taxes	3,046.10	
1959 Real Estate Taxes	6,610.36	
1960 Real Estate Taxes	329,857.77	
		384,323.95
1959 Farm Excise Taxes	18.75	
1960 Farm Excise Taxes	142.38	
		161.13
Tax Title Redemption		38.63

Interest on Taxes:		
Real Estate	404.23	
Personal	12.24	
Motor Vehicle	73.23	
Farm Excise	.29	
Poll Tax	.20	
		490.19
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
Income Tax	15,487.61	
Meals Tax	1,211.32	
Corporation Tax	37,334.05	
School Aid—Chapter 645	11,792.02	
School Aid—Chapter 70	42,898.47	
Vocational Education	9,268.07	
School Transportation	18.964.20	
Tuition & Transportation	739.83	
Temp. Aid & Transportation	1,472.96	
Support of Indigent Persons	48.74	
Civic Education	9.00	
School Superintendency	2,358.90	
Para. Veteran's Abatement	141.00	
		141,726.17
Departmental Receipts:		
Town Nurse	109.00	
Sealer of Weights & Measures	30.75	
Police Dept.—Telephone Calls	6.45	
Planning Board	5.00	
Town's share of State Withholding Taxes	25.61	
Polio Clinic	84.00	
Civil Defense Refund	136.25	
Sale of Dogs	66.00	
		463.06
School Department:		
Vocational Production Fund	1,462.53	
Vocational Labor	11.00	

Sanitary Fund	38.46	
Lost Books	26.39	
Lost Tools	1.05	
		1,539.43
Public Library—Book Fines		37.61
General Government:		
Purchase of Fire Barn	1.00	
Purchase of Salt	15.20	
Poll Tax Warrants & Demands	25.75	
Town Clerk—Dog Licenses	850.00	
Sale of Maps	5.00	
Deposit on Plans	10.00	
		906.95
Departmental Revenue:		
Aid to Dependent Children—From State	2,249.43	
Disability Assistance—From State	1,951.44	
Old Age Assistance—From State	17,646.64	
Public Welfare	4,.811.87	
Board of Health	263.93	
Disability Assistance Adm.—From State	130.67	
Dighton-Berkley Bridge	14.40	
School Department	23,670.06	
Pump Service	24.00	
Veterans' Benefits—From State	2,542.29	
Veterans' Memorial Hall	160.00	
Street Department	108.27	
		53,573.00
Agency Trust & Refund		143.90

Aid to Highways Revenue:		
Chapter 81—State	16,601.01	
Flood Relief Monies—		
Spring St. Bridge	3,400.00	
Chapter 90—Elm Street	1,571.35	
		21,572.36
U. S. Grants:		
A.D.C. Administration	761.37	
D.A. Administration	261.32	
O.A.A. Administration	1,334.61	
A.D.C.	2,40150	
D.A.	2,272.50	
O.A.A.	16,025.28	
		23,056.58
Grants & Gifts:		
Fire & Police Dept.		
Specials	19,079.00	
Christmas Fund	500.00	
		19,579.00
Licenses:		
Advertising Costs	23.78	
Package Store	400.00	
Club	1,000.00	
Restaurant	1,000.00	
Auto Dealers	30.00	
Beer & Wine (Temporary)	4.00	
Milk	10.00	
Oleo	4.50	
Building Permits	200.00	
Common Victualler	65.00	
Gun Permits	108.00	
Denatured Alcohol	5.00	
Garbage Permit	2.00	
Cabin	1.00	
Alteration Permits	73.00	

Ice Cream Manufacturer's License	5.00	
Lord's Day	39.00	
Gas Storage Permits	5.00	
Auctioneer	10.00	
Junk	15.00	
Sausage Manufacturing	5.00	
Wine & Malt Beverage	35.00	
Oyster Bed Privileges	75.00	
Gravel Permits	26.00	
Sunday Ent. License	27.00	
Trailer Permits	6.00	
Day Child Care License	2.00	
Dance Permit	2.00	
		3,178.28

County of Bristol:		
Court Fines	157.00	
County Dog Fund	519.80	
Boarding Dogs	426.00	
		1,102.80

Miscellaneous:		
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	356.30	
Charles S. Chase Trust Fund	30.23	
Road Machinery Fund	2,466.00	
Elementary School Cafeteria	24,329.35	
High School Cafeteria	9,189.96	
High School Athletics	747.50	
Federal Withholding Tax	37,722.80	
Mass. Teachers' Retirement	8,373.98	
County Retirement	3,991.73	
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	3,450.70	
Washington National Insurance	398.72	

State Withholding Tax	3,000.28		
Old Age Assistance Recovery	225.00		
Veterans' Benefits Recovery	423.59		
Insurance Liability on Truck	81.85		
Insurance Liability for Burglary Damage	561.50		
Fire Department Refund	20.74		
Police Department Refund	13.43		
Tax Anticipation Loan	50,000.00		
Tailings	24.45		
		145,408.11	
Total Receipts for 1960			848,758.92
Total with Balance			$1,014,670.43

TREASURER'S EXPENDITURES

1960

Town Office		
Salaries	$6,080.73	
Supplies, printing, postage	280.18	
Advertising	78.23	
Legal Fees	256.80	
Town Reports	892.70	
Equipment	153.70	
Miscellaneous	215.54	
		$7,957.88
Selectmen		
Salaries	2,400.00	
Supplies, printing, postage	136.57	
Dues, mileage, etc.	141.30	
Telephone	157.79	
Miscellaneous	3.50	
		2,839.16
Assessors		
Salaries	2,400.00	
Supplies, printing, postage	258.37	
Dues, mileage, lunches	180.93	
Telephone	27.35	
Equipment	248.41	
Tax Map Service	500.00	
Miscellaneous	27.04	
		3,642.10
Auditor		
Salary	600.00	
Supplies	5.42	
Dues	5.00	
Clerical help	15.00	
Miscellaneous	21.02	
		646.44
Accountant		
Salary (Sept. 7 to Dec. 31, 1960)	1,260.00	1,260.00

Town Clerk		
Salary	700.00	
Supplies, printing, postage	80.85	
Dues, lunches, mileage	27.72	
Telephone	47.80	
Equipment	162.75	
Miscellaneous	2.00	
		1,021.12
Town Collector		
Salary	1,900.00	
Supplies, printing, postage	579.12	
Dues, lunches, mileage	22.32	
Telephone	66.55	
		2,567.99
Treasurer		
Salary	1,200.00	
Supplies, printing, postage	424.25	
Dues, lunches, mileage	80.85	
Telephone	53.15	
Miscellaneous	29.00	
		1,787.25
Election and Registration		
Registrars	400.00	
Census	380.00	
Election	991.73	
Police and Janitor	185.41	
Supplies, printing, postage	220.04	
Telephone	53.25	
Mileage	23.12	
Clerical	64.95	
Miscellaneous	91.00	
		2,409.50
Town Insurance		
Automobiles	1,580.56	
Fires	2,566.34	
Bonds	397.25	

Firemen and Police	337.75	
Workmen's Compensation	2,388.27	
Robbery Safe	97.99	
		7,368.16
Dog Officer		
Salary	50.00	
Fees	410.00	
Notices	7.50	
		467.50
Hydrant Rental		
Water District	1,050.00	
Fire District	690.00	
		1,740.00
Veterans' Memorial Hall Maintenance		
Custodian	176.00	
Heat, light, water	511.52	
Repairs	4.00	
		691.52
Civic Center Maintenance		
Lights, water, fuel	206.77	
Repairs	12.00	
		218.77
Finance Committee		
Dues	15.00	15.00
Town Office Repairs		
Labor	2,295.42	
Materials	553.89	
		2,849.31
Planning Board		
Postage, supplies	5.01	
Dues	20.00	
Meetings, mileage	53.96	
Advertising	12.95	
Assessment (Regional)	118.00	
		209.92

House Numbering Services	1,000.00	1,000.00
Treasurer's Safe	1,298.00	1,298.00
Fire Department		
Wages	2,189.00	
Janitors	360.00	
Deputy Chief	240.00	
Chief	420.00	
Gas and oil	292.53	
Heat, light, fuel	1,070.94	
Telephone	912.30	
Equipment	1,085.64	
Equipment repairs	2,649.20	
Building repairs	315.19	
Hurricane Standby	198.50	
Pumping Service	32.00	
Miscellaneous	85.95	
		9,851.25
Fire Special		
Dog Track	2,090.00	2,090.00
Police Department		
Chief's Salary	4,680.00	
Officers	637.00	
Telephone	427.44	
Dues and lunches	123.50	
Equipment	540.75	
Radio and Equipment repairs	378.29	
Gas and Oil	506.36	
Printing, postage, supplies	23.76	
Hurricane Standby	50.00	
Convention and travel	200.00	
Miscellaneous	171.30	
		7,738.40

Police Special		
Raytheon Mfg. Co.	3,600.00	
Dog Track	12,550.00	
Rehoboth Fair	839.00	
		16,989.00
South Fire Station	28,576.08	28,576.08
Board of Health		
Administration Salaries	700.00	
Medical	133.28	
Telephone	194.90	
Vital Statistics	194.00	
Nurses Expenses	31.03	
Nurse's Salary	1,500.00	
Milk Inspector	250.00	
Other Inspectors	540.00	
Bristol County T.B. Hospital	183.00	
Miscellaneous	15.53	
		3,742.74
Sewerage Study	1,000.00	1,000.00
Town Ambulance		
Drivers	248.50	
Repairs, gas, oil	66.13	
Laundry	23.23	
Oxygen	12.00	
		349.86
Care of Town Dump		
Wages	1,908.00	
Maintenance	64.00	
		1,972.00
Mosquito Control	250.00	250.00
Street Department		
Administration Salary & Expense	188.00	
Wages	4,091.35	
Stone, gravel, etc.	158.45	

Equipment & Repairs	534.37	
Lights	247.54	
Signs	79.53	
Snow removal wages	817.76	
Snow removal trucks	1,629.25	
Snow removal all other	1,676.23	
Miscellaneous	236.40	
Building—labor	971.73	
Building—materials	1,683.30	
Building—equipment	1,151.96	
Building— heat, light, telephone & supplies	376.05	
		13,841.92
Dighton-Berkley Bridge		
Tender	840.00	
Power	12.00	
Repairs	1.30	
		853.30
Sidewalk Maintenance		
Wages	564.40	
Materials	65.33	
		629.73
Care of Town Elms	1,857.47	1,857.47
Chapter 81		
Labor	7,975.00	
Material	8,231.50	
Equipment (Rental)	5,043.50	
		21,250.00
Chapter 90—Maintenance		
Labor	1,193.10	
Material	3,336.94	
Equipment (Rental)	2,220.50	
		6,750.54
Chapter 90—Elm St. Construction	572.20	572.20

Gravel Roads		
Labor	6,416.52	
Material	3,610.15	
Equipment (Rental)	2,711.75	
Hurricane cost	2,827.65	
Snow & Ice Removal	1,011.70	
Miscellaneous	80.00	
		16,657.77
Road Machinery Account		
Gas and Oil	1,058.19	
Repairs	2,900.75	
Equipment	1,078.74	
Miscellaneous	117.21	
		5,154.89
Gasoline Account	1,687.09	1,687.09
Brush Control	635.86	635.86
Garage Account—Materials	874.15	874.15
Shade Tree Account	533.80	533.80
Insect Pest Control	294.56	294.56
Aid to Dependent Children		
Cash	6,517.40	
Medical	1,666.14	
Administration Salary	83.33	
Social Worker's Salary	477.72	
Mileage	50.00	
Telephone, postage, supplies	78.92	
Lunches, dues	7.00	
		8,880.51
Disability Assistance		
Cash	1,825.80	
Medical	3,629.35	
Social Worker's Salary	159.24	
Telephone, postage, supplies	46.44	
		5,660.83

Old Age Assistance		
Cash	30,170.75	
Medical	9,804.43	
Administration Salaries	108.33	
Social Worker	1,235.88	
Mileage	150.00	
Telephone, postage, supplies	115.61	
Dues	3.00	
Outside Relief	792.76	
Medical Aid Aged	1,386.01	
Miscellaneous	19.00	
		43,785.77
General Relief Administration		
Administration Salaries	808.34	
Social Worker's Salary	2,267.40	
Telephone, postage, supplies	52.82	
		3,128.56
Veterans' Benefits		
Cash	6,287.30	
Medical	374.44	
Groceries	15.18	
Fuel	36.00	
Board and Care	147.78	
Administration Salaries	300.00	
Miscellaneous	34.78	
		7,195.48
General Relief—Public Welfare		
Cash	3,733.60	
Medical	501.18	
Clothing, rent, groceries	2,275.40	
Fuel	379.11	
Outside relief	1,101.18	
		7,990.47
School		
Transportation	24,761.88	
Expenses & Salary of Superintendent	4,204.18	
Superintendent's Clerk	1,887.00	

Truant Officer	30.00
Superintendent's Office Expense	262.98
Elementary Secretary	715.15
High School Secretary	1,082.04
Elementary Teachers	92,629.37
High School Teachers	56,094.46
Other Teachers	9,369.36
Staff Expenses	88.84
Household Arts	125.21
Vocational Shop	467.37
Health and Nurse	2,694.92
New Equipment	1,491.21
Books	1,933.99
Telephone	774.43
Supplies—Elementary	1,950.47
Supplies—High	882.94
Gas Elementary	315.53
Gas High	210.96
Electricity—Elementary	1,771.31
Electricity—High	1,036.19
Fuel—Elementary	2,898.15
Fuel—High	1,284.37
Water—Elementary	250.06
Water—High	85.00
Janitor's Salaries—Elementary	8,244.70
Janitor's Salaries—High	5,871.70
Tuition	370.24
Janitor's Supplies—Elementary	771.79
Janitor's Supplies—High	422.92
Repairs—Elementary	1,636.89
Repairs—High	159.99
Boiler Maintenance—Elementary	4.72
Boiler Maintenance—High	108.20
Miscellaneous—Elementary	392.52
Miscellaneous—High	538.35
Junior High Teachers	14,037.78
Junior High Secretary	246.54
Junior High Janitors	2,767.00
Junior High Janitor's Supplies	211.55

Junior High Repairs	1,174.48	
Junior High Boiler Maintenance	64.05	
Junior High—Electricity	554.76	
Junior High—Gas	93.55	
Junior High—Fuel	436.99	
Junior High—Water	172.92	
Junior High—Miscellaneous	237.59	
School Building & Grounds Maintenance	499.60	
		248,316.20
Elementary Cafeteria		
Salaries	8,125.52	
Food	16,059.79	
Laundry	131.45	
Repairs and Equipment	24.45	
Supplies	12.48	
Transportation	108.35	
Miscellaneous	65.50	
		24,527.54
High School Cafeteria		
Salaries	3,169.72	
Food	6,457.97	
Laundry	74.55	
Repairs and Equipment	23.60	
Supplies	2.23	
Transportation	70.25	
		9,798.32
High School Athletics		
Officials	483.00	
Officers	108.00	
Janitors	49.00	
Equipment	668.13	
Repairs and Cleaning	120.93	
Transportation	166.95	
Miscellaneous	165.25	
		1,761.26

Vocational School Production Fund		
Materials	1,408.99	1,408.99
Public Library		
Librarian	600.00	
Janitor	240.00	
Books	1,058.83	
Periodicals	93.32	
Water, fuel, light	238.91	
Building Repairs	487.37	
Telephone	88.58	
Supplies	23.84	
Equipment	17.95	
		2,848.80
Elementary Library	253.56	253.56
George Barden - Smith Hughes Fund	373.14	373.14
Dighton-Rehoboth Regional District	121,182.10	121,182.10
Playground and Recreation		
Repairs and Equipment	161.70	
Light	10.37	
Supervisors	345.00	
Rent and Care of Grounds	462.55	
		979.62
Civil Defense	721.49	721.49
Civil Defense Equipment & Apparatus	21.67	21.67
Tax Listing	779.50	779.50
Memorial Day Observance	148.00	148.00
Burglary Damage	396.50	396.50
Christmas Fund	500.00	500.00
Tax Title Foreclosure Account	481.78	481.78

Interest on School Building Loans	5,940.00	5,940.00
Interest on Anticipation of Revenue Loan	403.75	403.75
School Building Bonds	25,000.00	25,000.00
Tax Anticipation Loan	50,000.00	50,000.00
Agency Trust and Investment		
County and State Assessments	31,574.05	
Federal Tax Withheld	37,722.80	
County Retirement Withheld	3,991.73	
State Tax Withheld	3,000.28	
Blue Cross - Blue Shield Withheld	3,450.70	
Teachers' Retirement Withheld	8,373.98	
Washington National Insurance Withheld	398.72	
Charles S. Chase Trust Fund	30.23	
Cemetery Perpetual Care	356.30	
Dog Fees to County	850.00	
Miscellaneous	148.60	
		89,897.39
Tax Refunds		
Real Estate	168.10	
Motor Vehicles Excise	1,011.86	
		1,179.96
Total Expenditures		$ 847,703.42
By Transfer Within Accounts		2,191.52
Total Cash Expenditures		$ 845,511.90
Cash Balance 12/31/60		169,158.53
Total with Balance		$1,014,670.43

DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT

Town Office Account:		
Appropriation	$ 8,000.00	
Burglary Insurance Received	165.00	
	8,165.00	
Expenditures	7,957.88	
Balance		$ 207.12
Selectmen:		
Appropriation	2,850.00	
Expenditures	2,839.16	
Balance		10.84
Assessors:		
Appropriation	3,875.00	
Expenditures	3,692.10	
Balance		232.90
Auditor:		
Appropriation	700.00	
Expenditures	646.44	
Balance		53.56
Town Accountant:		
Appropriation	1,200.00	
From Reserve Account	60.00	
	1,260.00	
Expenditures		
Balance		None
Town Clerk:		
Appropriation	1,075.00	
Expenditures	1,021.12	
Balance		53.88

Town Collector:		
Appropriation	2,690.00	
Expenditures	2,567.99	
Balance		122.01
Town Treasurer:		
Appropriation	1,875.00	
Expenditures	1,787.25	
Balance		82.75
Elections & Registrations:		
Appropriation	2,455.00	
Expenditures	2,409.50	
Balance		45.50
Dog Officer:		
Appropriation	400.00	
From Reserve Account	67.50	
Expenditures	467.50	
Balance		None
Town Insurance:		
Appropriation	7,,193.40	
From Reserve Account	174.76	
Expenditures	7,368.16	
Balance		None
Hydrant Rental:		
Appropriation	1,740.00	
Expenditures	1,740.00	
Balance		None
Veterans' Memorial Hall Maintenance:		
Appropriation	1,000.00	
Expenditures	691.52	
Balance		308.48

Town Historian:

1/1/60 Balance	14.00	
Expenditures	None	
Balance		14.00

Planning Board:

Appropriation	500.00	
Expenditures	209.92	
Balance		290.08

Public Property:

Appropriation	350.00	
Expenditures	None	
Balance		350.00

Civic Center Maintenance:

Appropriation	275.00	
Expenditures	218.77	
Balance		56.23

Town Finance Committee:

Appropriation	50.00	
Expenditures	15.00	
Balance		35.00

Town Office Repairs:

1/1/60 Balance	515.18	
Appropriation	2,500.00	
	3,015.18	
Expenditures	2,756.61	
Balance		165.87

Tax Listing Account:

1/1/60 Balance	850.00	
Expenditures	779.50	
Balance		70.50

House Numbering Account:

Appropriation	3,500.0	
Expenditures	1,000.00	
Balance		2,500.00

Town By-Laws Revised:

Appropriation	500.00	
Expenditures	None	
Balance		500.00

250th Anniversary Committee:

Appropriation	100.00	
Expenditures	None	
Balance		100.00

Town Sewerage Study:

Appropriation	1,000.00	
Expenditures	1,000.00	
Balance		None

Town Forest:

Appropriation	250.00	
Expenditures	None	
Balance		250.00

Treasurer's Safe Account:

Appropriation	1,298.00	
Expenditures	1,298.00	
Balance		None

Fire Department:

Appropriation	9,510.06	
From Reserve Account	320.45	
	9,830.51	
Expenditures	9,830.51	
Balance		None

Fire Department Special:

Rec'd Taunton Greyhound Assoc.	2,090.00	
Expenditures	2,090.00	
Balance		None

Police Department:

Appropriation	7,680.00	
From Reserve Account	44.97	
	7,724.97	
Expenditures	7,724.97	
Balance		None

Police Department Special:

Rec'd Taunton Greyhound Assoc.	12,550.00	
Expenditures	12,550.00	
Balance		None

Police Department Special:

Rec'd Rehoboth Fair	839.00	
Expenditures	839.00	
Balance		None

Police Department Special:

Rec'd Raytheon Co.	3,600.00	
Expenditures	3,600.00	
Balance		None

South Fire Station:

Appropriation	28,000.00	
From Reserve Account	2,500.00	
	30,500.00	
Expenditures	28,576.08	
Balance		1,923.92

Board of Health:

Appropriation	4,325.00	
Expenditures	3,742.74	
Balance		582.26

Mosquito Control:		
Appropriation	250.00	
Expenditures	250.00	
Balance		None
Town Dump:		
Appropriation	2,200.00	
Expenditures	1,972.00	
Balance		228.00
Town Ambulance:		
Appropriation	450.00	
Expenditures	349.86	
Balance		100.14
Street Department:		
Appropriation	14,000.00	
Expenditures	13,841.92	
Balance		158.08
Dighton-Berkley Bridge:		
Appropriation	1,000.00	
Expenditures	853.30	
Balance		146.70
Sidewalk Maintenance:		
Appropriation	1,000.00	
Expenditures	629.73	
Balance		370.27
Chapter 81:		
Appropriation	7,500.00	
From Surplus Revenue	13,750.00	
	21,250.00	
Expenditures	21,250.00	
Balance		None

Chapter 90 Maintenance:

Appropriation	1,700.00	
From Surplus Revenue	3,400.00	
From Gravel Roads Account	1,650.54	
	6,750.54	
Expenditures	6,750.54	
Balance		None

Insect Pest Control:

Appropriation	542.01	
Expenditures	294.56	
Balance		247.45

Brush Control:

Appropriation	1,000.00	
Expenditures	635.86	
Balance		364.14

Care of Town Elms:

Appropriation	3,500.00	
Expenditures	1,857.47	
Balance		1,642.53

Shade Tree Account:

Appropriatiion	500.00	
From Reserve Account	33.80	
	533.80	
Expenditures	533.80	
Balance		None

Road Machinery Account:

Appropriation	4,300.00	
From Reserve Account	854.89	
	5,154.89	
Expenditures	5,154.89	
Balance		None

Gravelling Town Roads:		
Appropriation	20,000.00	
Expenditures	16,657.77	
	3,342.23	
To Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,650.54	
Balance		1,691.69
Chapter 90 Elm St.:		
1/1/60 Balance	18,401.12	
Appropriation	4,500.00	
From Surplus Revenue	13,500.00	
	36,401.12	
Expenditures	1,422.48	
Balance		34,978.64
Town Garage:		
Balance	874.67	
Expenditures	874.15	
Balance		.52
Gasoline Account:		
1/1/60 Balance	5.18	
From Various Accounts	1,691.92	
	1,697.10	
Expenditures	1,687.09	
Balance		10.01
Chapter 718:		
From Chapter 90 Elm St.	850.28	
Expenditures	None	
Balance		850.28
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Appropriation	5,000.00	
From Old Age Assistance	782.04	
	5,782.04	
Expenditures	5,782.04	
Balance		None

Disability Assistance:		
Appropriation	4,000.00	
Expenditures	3,120.72	
Balance		879.28
Old Age Assistance:		
Appropriation	28,000.00	
Expenditures	24,597.88	
To Aid to Dependent Children	782.04	
To Veterans' Benefits	1,195.48	
Balance		1,424.60
General Relief Administration:		
Appropriation	3,100.00	
From General Relief	28.56	
	3,128.56	
Expenditures	3,128.56	
Balance		None
Veterans' Benefits:		
Appropriation	6,000.00	
From Old Age Assistance	1,195.48	
	7,195.48	
Expenditures	7,195.48	
Balance		None
General Relief:		
Appropriation	9,000.00	
Expenditures	7,990.47	
To Administration Accounts	265.75	
Balance		743.78
School Department:		
Appropriation	249,144.00	
Expenditures	248,316.20	
Balance		827.80

Elementary Cafeteria:		
1/1/60 Balance	1,045.30	
Receipts	24,337.42	
	25,382.72	
Expenditures	24,589.05	
Balance		793.67
High School Cafteria:		
1/1/60 Balance	554.92	
Receipts	9,251.47	
	9,806.39	
Expenditures	9,806.39	
Balance		None
High School Athletics:		
1/1/60 Balance	117.74	
Appropriation	900.00	
Receipts	747.50	
	1,765.24	
Expenditures	1,761.26	
Balance		3.98
Voeational Production Fund:		
Appropriation	1,500.00	
Expenditures	1,408.99	
Balance		91.01
Public Library:		
Appropriation	2,912.80	
Expenditures	2,848.80	
Balance		64.00
Elementary School Library:		
1/1/60 Balance	450.51	
Expenditures	253.56	
Balance		196.95

High School Library:

1/1/60 Balance	.97	
Expenditures	None	
Balance		.97

Dighton-Rehoboth Regional School District:

Appropriation	121,182.10	
Expenditures	121,182.10	
Balance		None

County Retirement Fund:

Receipts	3,991.73	
Expenditures	3,991.73	
Balance		None

Federal Withholding Tax:

Receipts	37,722.80	
Expenditures	37,722.80	
Balance		None

Sate Withholding Tax:

Receipts	3,000.28	
Expenditures	3,000.28	
Balance		None

Massachusetts Teachers Retirement:

Receipts	8,373.98	
Expenditures	8,373.98	
Balance		None

Blue Cross - Blue Shield:

Receipts	3,450.70	
Expenditures	3,450.70	
Balance		None

Washington National Insurance:

Receipts	398.72	
Expenditures	398.72	
Balance		None

Civil Defense Account:		
1/1/60 Balance	162.54	
Appropriation	513.00	
From Reserve Account	50.00	
	725.54	
Expenditures	721.49	
Balance		4.05
Civil Defense Equipment & Apparatus Account:		
1/1/60 Balance	21.67	
Expenditures	21.67	
Balance		None
Reserve Account Appropriated:		
From Overlay Surplus	5,000.00	
To Various Accounts	4,310.38	
To Overlay Surplus	689.62	
Balance		None
Memorial Day Observance:		
Appropriation	200.00	
Expenditures	148.00	
Balance		52.00
Tax Title & Foreclosure Account:		
1/1/60 Balance	77.77	
Appropriation	200.00	
From Reserve Account	204.01	
Expenditures	481.78	
Balance		None
Contributory County Retirement:		
Appropriation	5,518.20	
Expenditures	5,518.20	
Balance		None

Agency, Trust & Refunds:

Receipts	143.90	
Expenditures	153.90	
Balance		—10.00

Playgrounds & Recreation:

Appropriation	1,153.60	
Expenditures	979.62	
Balance		173.98

Tax Possession Title Account:

1/1/60 Balance	200.00	
Expenditures	None	
Balance		200.00

Burglary Damage:

Receipts	561.50	
Expenditures	561.50	
Balance		None

Interest on School Bonds:

Appropriation	5,940.00	
Expenditures	5,940.00	
Balance		None

Elementary School Bonds:

Appropriation	25,000.00	
Expenditures	25,000.00	
Balance		None

Interest on Tax Loan:

From Surplus Revenue	403.75	
Expenditures	403.75	
Balance		None

Tax Anticipation Loan:

Receipts	50,000.00	
Paid Off	50,000.00	
Balance		None

Charles S. Chase Trust Fund:		
Received 1960	30.23	
Expenditures	30.23	
Balance		None
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds:		
Interest from Accounts	356.30	
For Care of Lots	356.30	
Balance		None
Dog Licenses:		
Received during 1960	850.00	
Paid County	850.00	
Balance		None
U. S. Grant—Smith-Hughes, George Barden Funds:		
1/1/60 Balance	373.14	
Received	None	
Expenditures	373.14	
Balance		None
Christmas Fund:		
From Taunton Greyhound Assoc.	500.00	
Expenditures	500.00	
Balance		None
Total Appropriation Balances Transferred to 1960 Revenue		$11,650.06
Excess of Estimated Receipts over Assessors Estimates		$27,830.18
Surplus 1960 Revenue Transferred to Excess & Deficiency for 1960		$39,656.54

I certify ,to the best of my knowledge and belief, that the reports contained herein are correct. The Cash Balances of all officers intrusted with the receipt, custody or expenditures of money have been verified and all such books and accounts are in order. The Tax Collector's report as published is correct. All payments to the Treasurer have been properly warranted and all reecipts have been recorded. Cash and Securities of the Trust Funds have been verified, all income accounted for, and all payments warranted.

Respectfully submitted,

STAFFORD H. HAMBLY,
Town Auditor

Town of Dighton — BALANCE SHEET — December 31, 1960

General Account

ASSETS

Cash		$169,158.53
Petty Cash Advance—School Cafeteria		16.00
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
1958 Motor Vehicle	167.97	
1959 Motor Vehicle	962.90	
1960 Motor Vehicle	5,492.07	
		6,622.94
1959 Personal Property	123.90	
1960 Personal Property	377.92	
1959 Poll Tax	12.00	
1960 Pol lTax	154.00	
1959 Real Estate	4,027.21	
1960 Real Estate	18,319.72	
		23,014.75
1959 Farm Excise	1.88	
1960 Farm Excise	52.55	
		54.43
Tax Possession		483.27
Tax Titles		2,731.34

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Petty Cash Advance Reserve	$	16.00
Liabilities:		
Road Machinery Fund	5,953.75	
Veterans' Benefits Received	423.59	
Old Age Assistance	1,006.73	
Veterans' Memorial Hall	4.00	
A. D. C. Administration	98.79	
Tailings	230.63	
Town Historian	14.00	
Town Office Repairs	165.87	
Tax Listing Account	70.50	
House Numbering	2,500.00	
Town By-Laws Revision	500.00	
250th Anniversary	100.00	
Town Forest	250.00	
South Fire Station	1,923.92	
Chapter 90—Elm St.	34,978.64	
Town Garage	.52	
Gasoline Account	10.01	
Chapter 718	850.28	
Elementary Cafeteria	793.67	
Elementary School Library	196.95	
Tax Possession Titles Acct.	200.00	
		50,271.85

Departmental:		
Aid to Dependent Children	846.99	
Board of Health	87.14	
Dighton-Berkley Bridge	3.60	
School Department	18.70	
Pump Service	42.00	
Welfare Department	4,030.52	
Street Department	815.20	
		5,844.15
Aid to Highways—State:		
Chapter 81	4,816.11	
Chapter 90—Maint.	1,700.00	
Chapter 90—Elm St.	9,127.31	
Aid to Highways—County:		
Chapter 90—Elm St.	4,674.28	
		20,317.70
State Taxes & Assessments		417.14
County Taxes & Assessments		448.44
Agency, Trusts & Refunds		10.00
1948 - 1957 Overlay		323.20
		$229,441.89

Reserves:		
Overlay Reserved for 1959 Taxes	4,163.11	
Overlay Reserved for 1960 Taxes	18,851.64	
		23,014.75
Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus		17,713.50
Revenue Reserved until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle Excise	6,622.94	
Tax Possession	483.27	
Tax Title	2,731.34	
Departmental	4,833.42	
Aid to Highways	20,317.70	
Farm Excise	54.43	
		35,043.10
Excess and Deficiency: Surplus Revenue		103,382.69
		$229,441.89

		DEBT ACCOUNTS	
Net Funded Debt	$245,000.00	Elementary School Bonds	$245,000.00
		TRUST ACCOUNTS	
Trust Funds:			
Cash in Savings Banks	16,080.31	Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	9,548.95
		Joshua Bliss Cemetery Fund	5,515.11
		Charles S. Chase Trust Fund	1,016.25
			16,080.31
	$490,522.20		$490,522.20

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

To the Citizens and Taxpayers of Dighton:

The organizational meeting of the Board was held after the Annual Town Meeting. For the fifth consecutive year, the chairmanships were divided with Mr. Atwood chosen as Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Mr. Benevides for the Board of Public Welfare, Mr. Torres for the Board of Health, and Mr. Benevides was chosen to serve as recording clerk of the three Boards.

Fifty-two weekly and thirty-seven special meetings were held with three absentees. Several joint meetings were held with the other Town Boards and Committees to discuss and resolve matters of mutual interest.

Necessary hearings were held upon applications received for the various licenses as required. All transactions have been properly recorded and the many statutory requirements completed to the best of our knowledge and ability.

All Board members have participated in and attended all County Association meetings. Some members attended various governmental conferences on the Regional and State level, where and when convenient in an effort to obtain benefit of experiences to better serve the Town. Hearings were attended on the several Chapter 90 and Public Works projects in behalf of the Town's interest.

All appointments of Town Officers and Committees have been recorded with the Town Clerk together with the list of jurors, and are contained in the Clerk's annual report. Annual reports of the numerous Town Officers and Departments as required by law are contained in this 1960 Town Officers' Report.

All special committee activity and reports are included in the record of the Town Clerk. All votes and orders of the

Town Meeting have been accomplished with the exception of the study committee on the feasibility of combining District functions with local Town government. Inasmuch that a recent sewage study report recommends the establishment of a sewage district in the North Dighton area, it has been deemed advisable to postpone any consideration or planning for change of organization on the Town level pending more definite action within the district concerned.

The year 1960 can be considered as the ending of a decade where large capital outlays were made; and also the year of completion of a long range financial planning program which was adopted in 1955 by the Town.

TAX RATE INCREASE

The capital costs of the new Regional School and the additional operation expenses reflected to a very high degree on the $24.00 tax rate increase.

NATURAL DISASTERS AND STORMS

The severe blizzards of March 3 and December 12 together with hurricane "Donna" of September 12 taxed large expenditures on the several departments responsible for disaster services. The overall cost to the Town for these three storms exceeded $8,000.00.

SEWAGE STUDY

Under authority of the Town Meeting vote, the Board engaged the services of Fay, Spofford and Thorndike of Boston, Engineering Consultants; to obtain a study and preliminary plan of the sewage subject in the North Dighton area. This study and preliminary plan has been completed, accepted and approved by the State Department of Public Health, Division of Sanitary Engineering and the local Board of Health. Briefly, the study recommends the forming of a sewer district within the area and the construction of a sewage treatment facility. Legislation will be required to enable the formation of a district and the necessary organization and financial provisions to put the recommendation of the

study into effect. The program is at present awaiting the results of a study for the City of Taunton to determine the possibility of a joint undertaking for a treatment facility of adjacent and bounding areas which may be of financial advantage to all interested parties related to the subject.

TOWN OFFICE EXPANSION

The Town Office Expansion project is complete. The revision and added space should meet the Town's needs for some time to come. The work was done by local personnel under supervision of the committee. The appropriation as made was adequate and several minor expenses are pending, which may be accomplished by means of the Town Office general account.

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

The new system of accounting which was adopted by a Town vote will be in full operation upon termination of the present term of the Town Auditor in March of 1961. The Board appointed Mrs. Myrtle N. Wilson of Pleasant Street, Dighton to the office of Town Accountant as provided under the statute. The system is offering the Town and the several departments many advantages and many other improvements are forthcoming.

SOUTH STATION CONSTRUCTION

The new South Fire Station is nearly complete except for the removal of the old building which is being dismantled, and the grading and landscaping of the grounds which is scheduled in the spring by Town personnel. The acceptance of the new building from the contractor is presently being planned, and at the same time, the citizens will be offered an opportunity to examine the new facility.

The Selectmen extend to the members of the Building Committee, our appreciation for their untiring services and efforts; and also to Mr. Israel Almy, the architect and members of the general contractors' force, Sullivan and Foster, Inc., our gratitude for their interest and services in providing the Town with a valuable structure for its use and occupation.

HOUSE NUMBERING

The Board engaged the services of Blair Associates, Inc. of Providence, Rhode Island to provide a house numbering and re-numbering system which had been designed and approved jointly with the Planning Board. The preparation of the system is complete and the various materials have been delivered. As this report is being compiled, the notices of assigned numbers and copies of descriptive material for the system are being prepared in the Town Offices for mailing. The effective date of the new system has been established for March 1, 1961.

It is the mutual belief of the consultant and the Boards of Selectmen and Planning that the Town will have a perfect House Numbering System and will enable all services and persons to perform more efficiently.

STREET DEPARTMENT GARAGE

The facilities and services offered by the new street garage are increasing each day. Gradually new equipment and tools are being procured and in time, the facility will offer even greater service and convenience to all departments. Its usage in storms and other emergencies has proven to be of unmeasured value to the Town and the Department.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The plans for the 250th Anniversary Celebration in 1962 are being formulated and are underway. The organizing of various committees is being presently undertaken. More than sixty individuals have registered their desire to participate. Practically all civic, religious and governmental organizations have responded and are entered in the planning. A full program of events is being scheduled and by Memorial Day of 1962, a most interesting celebration will be underway.

We express our appreciation and gratitude to the Citizens. Town Officials and Employees for their cooperation in the performance of duty. Especially to the Town Office staff, we

recognize your everlasting loyalty and many services to the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

CLAYTON H. ATWOOD, Chairman
WILLIAM F. BENEVIDES
FRANCIS J. TORRES
Board of Selectmen

According to the Federal Census in the year 1960, the total population in the Town of Dighton was 3,769.

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

of the Town of

DIGHTON

Year Ending December 31, 1960

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

	Term Expires
Wyman E. Hawkes, Chairman Segreganset	1961
Joseph W. Fleck, Secretary Water Street, Dighton	1963
William B. Wynne, Financial Secretary Smith Street, North Dighton	1962
Harry Hagopian 150 Spring Street, North Dighton	1963
Antone Compos 32 Elm Street, Dighton	1962
Lawrence D. Dutra Somerset Avenue, Dighton	1962
Thomas C. Sherman 43 Bedford Street, North Dighton	1961

Superintendent

Robert T. Roy, B. S., Ed. M.
Residence: Forest Street, North Dighton
Office: Dighton Junior High School, Segreganset
Telephone: Dighton NO 9-4751 (Office)
Taunton VA 2-7323 (Home)

Office Hours

Monday through Friday 8:30 A. M. - 9:30 A. M. and by appointment.

Secretary

Gladys P. Babbitt

School Physician

Charles M. Souza, M.D.

School Nurse

Esther Bowden, R.N.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Entrance Age

First grade registration in September of any year will be limited to those children who are at least six years of age or who will become six years of age on or before the following January 1. There will be no exceptions made to this ruling.

Birth Certificates

Presentation of a birth certificate is required for entrance to the first grade.

Vaccination

Every child who enters school for the first time must present a certificate of vaccination or a statement from his physician that vaccination is inadvisable.

NO SCHOOL INFORMATION

Elementary and Junior High School

Whenever it seems advisable to close the elementary school the notice will be broadcast over Radio Station WPEP, Taunton and over Radio Station WSAR, Fall River.

High School

Whenever the school buses can be safely operated there will be school at the Dighton-Rehoboth Regional High School unless unforseen emergencies make it necessary to close. In the event of closing, the information will be specifically announced over the radio as indicated above for the elementary schools.

TRANPORTATION

The law requires that transportation be provided for pupils residing more than two miles from the school attended or more than one mile from the nearest bus stop. Many pupils living at lesser distances along established routes are transported if the seating capacity of the bus will permit. From time to time it is necessary to refuse transportation to some of those living under the required distance when our buses are filled to capacity with children living at a greater distance.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

As Approved by School Committee

1960 — 1961

DIGHTON

Dighton Elementary and Junior High Schools

School opens September 7, 1960	
closes December 22, 1960	72 days
opens January 3, 1961	
closes February 17, 1961	34 days
opens February 27, 1961	
closes April 14, 1961	34 days
opens April 24, 1961	
closes June 16, 1961	39 days
	179 days

Schools will close on the following days:

October 12—Columbus Day

October 28—Teachers Convention

November 11—Veterans' Day

November 24 and 25—Thanksgiving Recess
Dismiss at noon November 23

March 31—Good Friday

May 30—Memorial Day

Graduation—June 7, 1961

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Appropriation	$249,144.00
Less: Production Fund	1,500.00
	$249,144.00

Expenditures

General Control	$ 9,273.22	
Transportation	24,723.88	
Teachers Salaries	171,852.97	
Books	1,931.74	
Supplies	2,120.49	
Audio-Visual Aids	173.33	
Janitor's Salaries	16,825.90	
Fuel	4,628.83	
Electricity	3,352.94	
Gas	620.04	
Water	507.98	
Music	683.85	
Janitors' Supplies	1,403.63	
Miscellaneous	1,132.75	
Boiler Repairs	99.05	
Repairs	3,439.61	
Health	2,750.46	
New Equipment	1,343.41	
Staff Expenses	88.84	
Household Arts	125.21	
Evening Practical Arts	383.00	
Tuition—Evening School	370.24	
Vocational Shop	484.83	
		$248,316.20
Returned to Town		827.80
		$249,144.00

VOCATIONAL PROUCTION FUND

Appropriation	1,500.00
Expenditures	1,408.99
Balance on Hand	$ 91.01

ELEMENTARY DOG TAX FUND

Unexpended Balance, 1959	$ 450.51
Expenditures, 1960	253.56
Balance on Hand	$ 196.95

NET COST TO TOWN

Expenditures, 1960		$248,316.20
Receipts, 1960:		
Chapter 70, General State Aid	$51,812.93	
Reimbursement, Superintendent's Salary and Travel	2,332.48	
Reimbursement, Vocational Education	8,902.07	
Transportation	18,964.20	
State Wards, Tuition and Transportation	739.83	
Adult Civic Education, Chapter 69, General Laws	9.00	
Tuition:		
Berkley	7,041.60	
Freetown	493.80	
Rehoboth	6,336.45	
Miscellaneous Tuition	315.00	
Miscellaneous Receipts	129.84	
Vocational Receipts	13.05	
Vocational Production Fund	1,462.53	
Total Receipts, 1960		$ 98,552.78
Net Cost to Town		$149,763.42
Balance Returned to Town		$ 827.80

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Citizens of the Town of Dighton:

I herewith submit my sixth annual report as Superintendent of Schools in Dighton. Incorporated herein is the report of the Principals, the Music Supervisors and the School Nurse. It is recommended that you read them carefully so that you may acquaint yourself with the many changes in the Dighton School System during the past year.

High School

In June Dighton High School closed its doors as a high school and became Dighton Junior High School. Our high school pupils now attend the Dighton-Rehobth Regional High School. A report of the activities of that school will be found in the Town Report. Most of the faculty of Dighton High School will be found in the Regional High School.

This report will be devoted to the elementary phase of our program.

Personnel

Several of our good teachers left us for other positions last June. Perhaps our greatest loss was that of Mr. F. Edward Nicolas who had been Elementary School Principal for five years. Mr. Nicolas was slated to be district principal of the Elementary and Junior High School. He took a position as assistant superintendent of schools in Plymouth and has since been made superintendent. Other personnel who left were Mr. Francis Lussier to be assistant principal of the Dighton-Rehoboth Regional High School; Mr. Albert Genovese to be a language teacher at Freetown-Lakeville Regional High School; Miss Clare Hanrahan to be married and teach elsewhere; Mr. Leo Wontkowski to teach mathematics at the Dighton-Rehoboth Regional High School; Mr. Raymond Kelliher to devote time to further study; Mrs. Mary Mansueto to become a teaching principal in Raynham. These people leaving, left us with many important vacancies in our faculty especially when the majority of these people were

to make up the faculty of the Junior High School that moved into the old Dighton High School.

The School Committee decided to hire two principals as follows: Dr. Rose Borges, a native of Dighton with many years of experience as a teacher and teaching principal in our schools, was hired as Elementary School Principal in charge of grades 1 - 5 and the special class. Dr. Borges had just returned from a years leave of absence to teach at the American School in Caracas, Venezuela. Mr. Edward Aleixo, and assistant principal in the Taunton Schools was hired to be Principal of the Junior High School and teach mathematics.

The remaining faculty members to be selected were as follows: Mrs. Mary Fleming from the Freetown public schools to teach grade 3, Miss Louise Weiler a graduate of Northeastern University to teach grade 4; Miss Frances Bergstrom and Mrs. Mary Gannon, a former Dighton teacher, were selected to teach the sixth grades that are housed in the Junior High School. Miss Mary Louise Po, a graduate of Massachusetts School of Art was made art and literature teacher; Mr. Everett Jose of Bridgewater Teachers College is teaching social studies; Miss Nancy Holt and Mr. John Wood are teaching girls and boys physical education respectively and also teach general science to both the seventh and eighth grades. Mr. James O'Donnell, a graduate of Fitchburg Teachers College, was selected to teach mathematics and industrial arts.

Miss Olive Kelley who taught grade six was transferred to grade five. Mrs. Anne Phillips who has taught in Dighton for many years was made teacher of the Special Class.

Program

Many of the subjects that have been lacking in our program we have been able to place in our schedule this year. A Special Class has been started for those who need help in learning. We have a third division fourth grade to relieve a crowded condition there. Other areas at the Elementary School have been made available to improve our visual aid

and music programs. At the Junior High School level we have instituted a program of industrial arts for boys and expanded our home economics program for girls. Our science program has been improved. We have better library facilities and this helps our English and social studies program.

We are now in the process of meeting with teachers from Rehoboth to coordinate and improve our programs so that the transition from elementary and junior high school to the high school may be a smooth one.

Repairs and Improvements

Our maintenance department saw some changes due to the Regional School. Mr. Howell Carr, former head custodian at Dighton High School, was made head custodian at the Regional School. Mr. Alvin Silvia, custodian at the Elementary School, was made head custodian at the Junior High School. Mr. Frank Rogers was hired to replace Mr. Silvia.

The usual cleaning was accomplished at both schools during the summer. The locker rooms and cafeteria at the Junior High School have been painted. Some ceilings were painted at the Elementary School and all the brass door pushers and kick plates have been refinished.

In the line of major repairs, it was necessary to repair the roof of the Elementary School after the hurricane last fall. The hot water tank at the Junior High School had to be replaced, and the driveway through the parking area was repaired.

This year we hope to carry out our painting program in both schools.

Our schools are kept in very good repair due to the conscientious efforts of Mr. Costa, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Silvia and Mr. Leonard. Their work is greatly appreciated.

Cafeteria

It was decided not to prepare meals at the old High School this year but to canteen them from the Elementary

School. In doing this we were able to cut down on labor and still maintain good quality. We have been able to do well financially and hope to be able to improve our program as finances increase. The success of this program is due to the willingness of Mrs. Bettencourt and her helpers to accept changes.

Budget

The local budget appears to be down this year. However, this is due to the removal of the high school budget from this figure. Actually overall Regional and Local, the budget is up about 3%. This increase is due mainly to two principals instead of one for grades one through eight plus the addition of four new teachers at the same level this year. Other budget items remain about the same as last year.

Conclusion

This year has been a difficult one due to many changes in both staff and physical plants. These changes could not have been accomplished as smoothly had it not been for the cooperation given by the entire staff. I wish to thank all of them for their untiring efforts in bringing about the changes with so little confusion. I wish to thank all Town Officials who have helped us this year.

A special thank you is due to Miss Babbitt, clerk in my office, and the other clerks who kept records and reports of the changes.

In conclusion I would say to you that I hope through changes we have improved our school program and if you have any questions concerning our schools please call on us.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT T. ROY,
Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Robert T. Roy,
Superintendent of Schools

Dear Mr. Roy:

I submit my 1960 report as School Nurse.

The school health program is started before the opening of school in September, by Dr. Charles M. Souza, school physician. He examines the High School boys taking part in the competitive sport program so practice can get started early. All annual physical examinations are then completed as soon as possible—noting weight, height, nutrition, etc. Massachusetts Vision and Puretone Audiometer testing is carried on all during the year. Parents are notified of any defects from these examinations.

In October, Dighton was presented with a Maico Audiometer by the Dighton Lions Club to be used in the schools or by the townspeople. This was a great help to me, as a pupil can now be tested at any time, not having to wait to borrow the equipment from the Massachusetts State Department or nearby towns.

The Pre-school clinic was held April 14th with 23 children vaccinated against small-pox. The clinics for immunization against diptheria, whooping cough and tetanus were held March 17, April 14 and May 12th.

Registration for pupils entering school in September was during the week of April 25th. 71 registered at this time but two were not to enter school in 1960.

Get acquainted Day was May 18th with about 65 children with a parent, attending. This has proved to be a very popular day, as well as beneficial to the child, parent and school.

Four Polio Clinics were held during the year. The extra clinic in August was held because of the number of cases of

Polio in nearby Rhode Island. All these clinics were well attended.

I helped with the home visits and appointments for examinations in getting the Opportunity Class started this Fall.

Again I wish to thank the school personnel and parents for their cooperation and assistance in the health program.

Respectfully submitted,

ESTHER BOWDEN, R.N.,
School Nurse

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF THE DIGHTON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Robert T. Roy,
Superintendent of Schools

Herewith is submitted my first annual report as the principal of the Dighton Junior High School.

With 218 students present, the Dighton Junior High School opened this year as a complete and separate entity in the building which formerly housed the Dighton Senior High School. Not only was the physical plant different, but also the administration and most of the faculty were. In spite of the many changes and unfamiliarities, school opened smoothly and effectively.

CURRICULUM

Two sixth grades operate as an integral part of the Junior High. Both of these sixth grades function as self-contained units.

The seventh and eighth grades use a departmentalized system of operation. Each class gets instruction in the various fields of learning typical of the Junior High School level. This instruction is aimed at the training of all of the facets of a child's growth and development by teachers who have been specially trained in their various subject areas.

A comprehensive science program is underway utilizing the excellent facilities of the former high school laboratory. A science fair is being planned for sometime in the Spring.

To train the physical side of a child's development, physical education instruction is carried out by trained male and female physical education instructors. This program reaches down to include the sixth grades.

To further expand and balance the course of instruction offered in the school, a wood working and mechanical drawing course is offered under the direction of Mr. James O'Donnell. Many useful and worth-while projects have been planned by this department for this year.

It is hoped that the English and Mathematics programs can be strengthened by regrouping the potential academic and scientific course students and presenting courses of studies more commensurate with the abilities of these students.

GUIDANCE

Guidance is a contiual and ever-present process in our school. The guidance program is carried out by the home room teachers and the principal. Frequent conferences are held between the student and the teacher; and the student and the principal. These conferences are aimed at helping the student in solving problems encountered in normal school activities. We are in close contact and co-operate with other agencies of the community which offer assistance in the fields related to guidance. Extra attention and help is provided students with special study problems and difficulties by all teachers at the close of school each day.

EXTRACURRICULA ACTIVITIES

Student Council—The Student Council is an active and important student function in our school. They assist in supervising and approving student sponsored activities under the guidance and direction of the teachers and principal.

Athletics—The athletics program is full and comprehensive. Boys' basketball and baseball teams are planned and a full schedule of games is played with other schools in the area. This program is under the direction of the Boys' Physical Education Instructor, Mr. John Wood.

Miss Nancy Holt, the Girls' Physical Education Instructor, coaches a girls' program which includes basketball and softball.

Newspaper—An excellent school newspaper is published by the students under the sponsorship and direction of Mrs. Eunisa Wordell.

Girls' Glee Club—The Girls' Glee Club is a very active unit. This winter, they, in collaboration with the Dighton Elementary School, presented the highly successful annual Christmas Festival. This group is directed by Mr. Donald Morrison, the Vocal Music Supervisor.

Band—We, in the Junior High School, are very proud of our outstanding school band which is under the capable leadership of Mr. Charles Lincoln, Instrumental Music Supervisor.

MISCELLANY

An important role in the general welfare and pleasant atmosphere which prevails in our school is played by our custodial staff, Mr. Alvin Silvia and Mr. Charles Leonard. For their co-operation and capable assistance, I am extremely grateful.

In co-operation with the Civil Defense Director, Mr. Rebello, a highly successful air raid evacuation drill was held by the students and teachers.

In recognition of Fire Prevention Week, a fire drill was held under the direction of Fire Chief Willis who upon completition of the drill addressed the students who were assembled for the occasion.

RECOMMENDATIONS

With the realization that in a democratic society as exists here in America and with the goal of giving every student in Dighton the opportunity to get the best possible education within our power to do so, I am recommending the establishment of a Special Education Class for the Junior High Level in order that the students of low ability make the maximum advantage of his schooling so that he can play an active and intelligent role in his duties as a citizen in a democracy.

It is also recommended that the present woodworking shop be converted into a combination-art-music room in order that these phases of our educational program be utilized to its fullest potential and that the former vocational auto shop be put into use as the new woodworking shop.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, I wish to take this opportunity to thank the school committee; Mr. Robert T. Roy, Superintendent of Schools; for the co-operation extended to me and my staff. Also to the co-occupants of our building, many thanks for their co-operation, understanding and kindnesses. I wish to insure the citizens of the Town of Dighton that we will do all in our power to continue to give the students in our charge the best possible education that is within our power to impart.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD F. ALEIXO,
Principal

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF THE DIGHTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Mr. Robert T. Roy
Superintendent of Schools

My report as Supervising Principal of the Dighton Elemnetary School is herewith respectfully submitted.

ENROLLMENT

The enrollment in September was 377. Pupils from grade one thru the fifth grade and the Opportunity Class are now housed at the Dighton Elementary School.

CURRICULUM

New Time Schedule

8:30 A.M. Playground period before 8:30 A.M.
8:30 A.M. Pupils pass to Classrooms for pre-school period.
8:45 A.M. Tardy bell—regular classes begin.
3:00 P. M. Dismissal—Bus schedule 3:00 P. M. to about 3:15 P. M.

Lengthening of School Day

The extra time in the lengthened school day has been added to the academic program and not to the extra curricula activities program.

Time Allotment Program

Studied the time allotment schedules in the various grades to establish a well balanced uniform subject matter program for each grade.

As indicated in a previous report the projected curriculum included the following which I sincerely hope will be added to our program:

1 An Art Instructor for grades one thru five.
2 Expansion of the physical education program from grades one thru five.
3 Foreign language program with instruction in Spanish rather than French.

CHANGES

1 New Reading Program
I have introduced a new reading method using our basic system in grades two thru five. The method is founded on homogeneous grouping of all students at each grade level. The plan has been approved by Mr. Robert T. Roy, Superintendent of Schools and the Dighton School Committee. The method has been explained to parents who have children in the elementary grades.

2 Reorganization of the Cafeteria Schedule
Pupils were instructed in techniques to speed up service, eliminate confusion and minimize noise during the lunch period. Courteous dining room manners and orderly conduct was incorporated into the program.

3 Before School Play Period
Early bus pupils have an opportunity to play before classes in the morning.

4 Recess Periods
Recess periods scheduled at different times to permit students more freedom and closer supervision on the playground.

5 Noon Playground Periods
These periods have been organized so that both playground areas are in use during two different scheduled sessions allowing maximum use of the school playground for physical exercises and games.

6 Monitor System
Training of students to assume responsibilities of citizenship within the school organization.

GUIDANCE PROGRAM

1 Achievement Testing Program for all Students.

2 Arranging Parent Conference meetings.

3 An Education Week Open House with parents observing teaching methods during regular class sessions.

4 Parent-Teacher Association evening session with parent-teacher conferences.

5 Guidance and counseling service for pupils with social or academic problems.

6 Beginning the accumulative record folders for each student in grade one. Compiling further information to be added to the file of each student at the elementary level.

OPPORTUNITY CLASS

An opportunity Class under the direction of Mrs. Anne M. Phillips has been started at the Dighton Elementary School this year. This is a class in which children who are unable to keep up with the work of regular classes will be able to proceed at a rate more suitable for their intellectual abilities. The Department of Education has established requirements for admission to these classes, foremost of which that each child shall be examined by a qualified psychologist prior to enrollment in the class. The reason for this is to be certain that the child can potentially profit from such a placement. Children have trouble keeping up with their classes for a variety of reasons. These include intellectual retardation, physical handicap or emotional and adjustment problems which prevent them from utilizing the potential they have. Only the intellectually retarded children should be placed in the Opportunity Class. Our school psychologist Paul Solomon, Ph. D. tested the children who are enrolled in our Opportunity Class.

SPANISH CLASS

Recently the American government as well as the general public has realized that we must do something to strengthen our national educational system. One excellent plan is to begin the study of foreign languages at an earlier age. The European and South American schools have been doing this for many years. Whether for business, politics or pleasure the necessity for learning modern foreign languages is becoming most important. Having taught in Caracas, Venezuela

and traveled extensively in South America I had first hand knowledge of the need for knowing Spanish. When one realizes that Mexico all the Central and South American countries with the exception of Brazil speak the Spanish language one becomes aware of the need of teaching Spanish in our schools.

LIBRARY

There is a need for improvement and expansion of our library facilities. Much work is still to be done to provide complete and adequate service as a school library.

SPEECH CLINIC

The Speech Clinic program under the direction of Mrs. Helen Lamb, Speech Therapist is conducted every Monday at the Dighton Elementary School. All students are carefully screened in the first grade to discover and assist students with speech difficulties.

Latest statistics tell us that the largest group of handicapped children in America are "Speech Cripples." Research reveals that more than two million children have serious speech defects, exceeding the combined numbers of physically crippled deaf, blind and mentally defective. Of these, only a small proporton have organic impairments, such as Cerebral Palsy, cleft palate, impaired hearing etc.

These statistics are startling and definitely show that in the near future we will need more time for our Speech Clinic.

Last year we started a pre-school speech program, held after 3 P. M. at the above school. This program speaks for itself, as the following quotation taken from a letter of a grateful parent will show: '. . . . through the pre-school speech clinic, my boy has improved greatly, and by the time the next school year rolls around he'll be ready for first grade with no impediment and no complex."

We do wish more parents would take advantage of the pre-school speech clinic.

Sometimes it is advantageous to continue therapy through the summer vacation, for this program we are fortunate in having the services of the Camp on Martha's Vineyard for handicapped children.

CAFETERIA

Under the National Lunch Program our cafeteria serves all the students in both the Dighton Elementary and the Dighton Junior High Schools. At the present time we are operating two cafeteria periods in each building.

The lunch program under the efficient management of Mrs. Alfrena Bettencourt and her assistants serve a well balanced meal at a moderate cost.

MAINTENANCE

Our custodians Mr. Antone Costa and Mr. Frank Rogers should be commended for their efforts in keeping our school plant clean and in excellent repair.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1 In order to care for the large classes as well as the anticipated increase in the fall enrollment I am recommending another teacher for the fourth grade, third grade and the first grade.

2 It will be necessary to have another Opportunity Class to make provision for the younger students in one classroom and the older students in another classroom.

3 A school librarian on a full time or part time basis to service both the Dighton Elementary School and the Dighton Junior High School.

4 A remedial-reading teacher to help pupils of normal intelligence whose reading skill is considerably below that of his classmates.

5 A new revised report card.

6 Course of Study Workshops.

7 Expansion of the Audio-Visual program.

APPRECIATION

I wish to extend my sincere thanks to the Dighton School Committee, to Mr. Robert T. Roy, Superintendent of Schools, to the faculty of the Dighton Elementary School, to the Dighton Town Officials, to Mrs. Alfrena Bettencourt, cafeteria manager and her staff, to Mrs. Hannah Lassen my secretary, to Dr. Charles M. Souza, school physician, to Mrs. Esther Bowden, school nurse, to Mr. Antone Costa and Mr. Frank Rogers custodians and to the officers and members of the Parent-Teacher Association for the excellent co-operation given me during my first term of office as your principal. I am most appreciative of the privilege afforded me to serve my town.

Respectfully submitted,
DR. ROSE BORGES,
Principal

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC REPORT

Mr. Robert Roy,
Superintendent of Schools
Dighton, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Roy:

I herewith submit the annual instrumental music report for Dighton Elementary and Junior High School.

At the Elementary School, instrumental music lessons are offered to pupils in grades four and five. The students receive one lesson a week. The duration of the lesson is either thirty or forty-five minutes depending on the number of pupils playing a particualr instrument. At present there are thirty pupils in grades four and five enrolled in the instrumental music program. Prior to 1960-61 school year lessons were given in the school storage room or auditorium. This year a classroom is now available for the Music Department. The added space and facilities of the classroom have been extremely beneficial to the program.

Lessons are offered in all grades at the Junior High School. Each pupil receives one lesson a week on a rotating schedule. There are thirty-six pupils receiving group lessons. Six are new students and the remaining intermediates.

The Junior High School Band meets three days a week. In previous years the band rehearsed before school for two forty-five minute periods a week but due to the change in bus schedule it is impossible to do so this year. The band now meets on Tuesday during the activity period and on Wednesday and Thursday band members eat the early lunch and practice during the following recess period. The length of the Wednesday and Thursday rehearsal is approximately twenty to twenty-eight minutes.

The band has performed at the Christmas assembly and annual Christmas concert.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the administrators of both the Elementary and Junior High School for their cooperation in helping us meet the changes brought about by the addition of the Junior High School, and thus maintaining an active instrumental music program.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES H. LINCOLN, JR.,
Instrumental Music Supervisor

REPORT OF THE VOCAL MUSIC SUPERVISOR

Mr. Robert T. Roy,
Superintendent of Schools

I herewith submit my third annual report as Supervisor of Vocal Music.

The same basic course of study is being followed in the Elementary and Junior High Schools this year, predicated on the belief that a successful music program must capitalize on children's natural interest in music. This is done by

presenting experiences which appeal to the child through the wide range of activities included in the world of music. In this type of program, we are attempting to impart not only the skills necessary to produce music, but also the ability to be selective consumers of music. Specifically, the course of study is planned so that the students will have (1) the ability to use music as a means of self-expression and communication, (2) an understanding of the musical expressions of others; and (3) an awareness of as much of the science of music as will aid in giving meaning to music as an art.

A highly successful year has been enjoyed by the choral and Senior High Glee Clubs presented their annual spring organizations. On the evening of May 20th, 1960, the Junior program. Compositions were performed ranging from sacred to present day musical comedy. The Junior High group also participated in a series of exchange concerts with glee clubs from the Carver and Lakeville schools.

The tour program consisted of:

Seventy-Six Trombones, from "The Music Man" ..... Wilson
The Waltzing Cat ..... Anderson
Great Day, from the Musical Play "Great Day", Youmans
Brother James' Air ..... arr. Jacob
I'm Only Nineteen ..... arr. Winter
I May Never Pass This Way Again ..... arr. Ringwald
Battle Hymn of The Republic ..... arr. Wilhousky

The Christmas Festival was held at the Elementary School on December 20th, 1960. This consisted of presentations by the elementary grades including the Nativity Scene. The Junior High Glee Club rendered a group of Christmas selections.

An operetta is being planned for production sometime in the spring.

Respectfully submitted,
DONALD F. MORRISON,
Supervisor of Vocal Music

DIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION EXERCISES

Dighton High School Auditorium—June 16, 1960

PROGRAM

OVERTURE—"Armada" David Bennett
Band

*PROCESSIONAL—Theme from "Pomp and Circumstance" Elgar

INVOCATION—
Rev. James R. Prickett
Dighton Methodist Church

WELCOME—
David A. Perry
President—Class of 1960

HONOR ESSAY—"The Educated Society"
Michael J. Hurwitz

SELECTION—"The Halls of Ivy"
Henry Russell and Vick Knight
Class of 1960

HONOR ESSAY—
"Our Motto: Today We Follow; Tomorrow We Lead"
Catherine M. Roderick

VOCAL SOLO—"God Bless America" Irving Berlin
Brenda N. Menges
Piano Accompanist—Janet M. Rubadou

ADDRESS—"Your High School Record—Does It Count?"
Harold F. Scott, B.S., Ed.M., Ped.D.
Principal, Warwick Veterans' Memorial High School
Immediate past President and present Executive Committee
Member of New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools

PRESENTATIONS—William J. Samos, Principal

AWARDS—

Balfour Key
Bausch and Lomb Medal
Commercial Award
John Charves Award
Dighton Boosters' Club Girls' Competitive Athletic Trophy
Cpl. John Dutra Memorial Award
Dighton P.T.A. Vocational Achievement Award
Dighton Teachers' Association Vocational Achievement Award
Bion L. Pierce Awards
Rensselnaer Polytechnic Alumni Medal

SCHOLARSHIPS—

Berkley Women's Club
Citizens' Scholarship Foundation of Berkley, Freetown and Lakeville
Dighton Boosters' Club Scholastic-Athletic Scholarship
Dighton High School Alumni
Dighton High School Class of 1959
Dighton Mothers' Fireside Circle
Dighton Parent Teachers' Association
Dighton Teachers' Association

**PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS—

Introduction:
Robert T. Roy, Superintendent of Schools
Presentation:
Harry Hagopian, Member Dighton School Committee

SELECTION—"I Walk With God" Nicholas Brodszky
Class of 1960

BENEDICTION—

Rev. Alfred J. Gendreau
Pastor, St. Peter's Church, Dighton

RECESSIONAL MARCH—"Our Flag Forever"
Henry Whistler
Band

Charles H. Lincoln, Supervisor of Instrumental Music
Donald F. Morrison, Supervisor of Vocal Music
Accompanist—Carolyn H. Melesky

*The audience is requested to remain seated during the Processional March.

**The audience is requested to refrain from applause until all diplomas have been distributed.

CLASS OF 1960

*Colette Marie Adele Alves
Napoleon Alves, Jr.
Barbara A. Andrews
Manuel Joseph Andrews
JoAnn Ashworth
Ernest Hathaway Atwood
Herbert F. Atwood
**Jean Ellen Atwood
Robert E. Badejo
Ralph Richard Barboza
Anthony John Borba
David Paul Borden
*Edith Mae Boyce
Helen Althea Briggs
Nancy F. Carr
*Natalie Anne Carvalho
Charles Chester
Alan Clegg
John Marston Cobb
John Edward Collard
Richard Joseph Donahue
Alberta H. Gramm
Roger L. Gross
Linda D. Gunn
*Susan Hathaway Hambly
Orin F. Holmes
**Michael Jack Hurwitz
Roseanne Elizabeth Lavigne
**Simone Marie Lenney
Richard Alton Levinson
Doris Marie Linden
*Brenda Nina Menges
Bernard John Nagle, Jr.
Griffith Hugh Neville
Shirley A. Nunes
Eleanor Mary Pabst
Dorothy A. Paiva
*David Alden Perry
Irene Ann Perry
Edward A. Pierce
Anita Louise Pontes
*Jane Marie Potter
*Janet Catherine Pysz
**Catherine Mary Roderick
Virginia May Rose
William Robert Roy

Janet Muriel Rubadou
James Edward Silveira
Marilyn Janet Silvia
Richard Theodore Silvia
John E. Smith
*Judith Emma Soares
Edward F. Stone
Caryle Jane Sylvester
*Nancy Jane Synan
George E. Taber, Jr.
Carol Jean Terra
Janet Elaine Varley
Whitney Bates Wargat

**First Honors—An average of A for four years.
*Second Honors—An average of B to A for four years.

Class Officers

David Perry ..... President
Roger Gross ..... Vice-President
Doris Linden ..... Secretary
Jane Potter ..... Treasurer

Class Motto

"Today We Follow: Tomorrow We Lead"

Class Advisor: Eleanor S. Smith

Dighton School Committee

Frank Rogers, Chairman
Joseph W. Fleck, Secretary
Harry Hagopian
Lawrence D. Dutra
Antone Compos
William B. Wynne
Wyman E. Hawkes, Financial Secretary

Robert T. Roy, Superintendent of Schools

GRADUATION EXERCISES
DIGHTON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

June 8, 1960

PROGRAM

OVERTURE—"Armada" David Bennett

*PROCESSIONAL—Theme from "Pomp and Circumstance" Edward Elgar

INVOCATION—
Rev. Alfred Gendreau
Pastor, St. Peter's Church, Dighton

GREETINGS—
Joseph Gailes
Class President

SELECTION—"Brother James' Air" Gordon Jacob
Members of the Graduating Class

THEMES—
"Educational Highway" Joanne Zandi
"Looking Upward and Onward" Wayne Tripp
"Educational Experiences" Constance Atwood

SELECTION—"I Whistle A Happy Tune" Richard Rodgers
Members of the Graduating Class

THEMES—
"Well Done" Elizabeth Ford
"Vocations Unlimited" Bruce DeSilva
"The Purpose Behind Education" Mary Ann Gracia

GRADUATION PRAYER G. W. Briggs
Lyn Baldwin

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS—
Mr. Robert T. Roy
Superintendent of Schools

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS—
Mr. William Wynne
Dighton School Committee

SELECTION—"I Believe" Drake and Graham

A GRADUATION TOAST—
Members of the Graduating Class

BENEDICTION—
Rev. Peter Baldwin
Minister, Dighton Unitarian Church

RECESSIONAL—"Little Champ March" Ted Mesang

Class Officers

President ..... Joseph Gailes
Vice President ..... Kathleen Pavao
Secretary ..... Cynthian Dunne
Treasurer ..... Paula Dupont

Mr. Robert T. Roy, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. F. Edward Nicolas, Principal
Mr. Donald Morrison, Vocal Music Supervisor
Mr. Charles Lincoln, Instrumental Music Supervisor
Mrs. Eunisa Wordell, Graduation Chairman

GRADUATES

Alice Ann Amaral
Ronald Everett Amarello
*Constance Louise Atwood
*Eunice Leslee Atwood
Patricia Badejo
Lyn Baldwin
Robert Frances Benevides
*Carol Veronica Cash
*Armen Sergei Casparian
John Chellel, III
Gloria Jean Costa
Lillian Margaret Costa
*Bruce Allan DeSilva
Cynthia Ann Dunne
*Paula A. Dupont
Robert Edward Dutra, Jr.
Beverly Jane Ferreira
*Elizabeth P. Ford
Valerie A. Francis
Bernadette Marie Freire
*Sandra Ella Freitas
Donna Lee Gailes
Joseph Ronald Gailes
*Catherine Frances Gomes
*Mary Ann Gracia
Lynn Jean Hoffshire
Eileen B. Holmes
*Carole Ann Holt
*Patricia Ann Hopkins
Kenneth Frederick Horrocks, Jr.
*Janet Ann Horton
Rita T. Karppinen
Timo Olavi Karppinen
James Alan Ludovicz
Edward F. McCarthy, Jr.
Bruce Allen McCracken
Joseph Medeiros, Jr.
Mary Ann Medeiros
Walter Edward Miller
Elizabeth Agnes O'Connell
Frances Marie O'Connell
Elizabeth Mary Otterson
Raymond J. Paiva
Joseph Francis Pavao, Jr.
*Kathleen Pavao
Regina Lee Penacho
*Carol Louise Perry
Elaine Marie Perry
Jeffrey F. Philbrook
Samuel David Pine
*Patricia Ann Plonka
John Theron Poland
James M. Redfern
Frederick T. Reed
Richard H. Shumway
*Phyllis Jeanne Silvia
*Margaret Mary Simmons
Eileen Naomi Sousa
*Linda Lee Spinney
Alan Dennis Sylvia
Wayne Richmond Tripp
*James Russell Varley
*John Jay Wargat
Donna Marie Wolfenden
**Joanne Ursula Zandi

**Highest Honors
*Honors

ENROLLMENT—OCTOBER 1, 1960

Dighton Schools

DIGHTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	Oppt. Class	Total Bldg.
Dr. Rose Borges, Principal							
Teachers:							
Dorothy B. Bagley	30						30
Jessie H. Bradley	31						31
Doris M. Ferreira	30						30
Dorothy E. Borjeson		26					26
Olive W. Crawford		28					28
Margaret F. Harrington		27					27
Mary G. Fleming			29				29
Helen M. Simmons			29				29
Lena W. Cowell				30			30
Louise M. Weiler				30			30
Ann T. Fitzsimmons					24		24
Olive M. Kelley					22		22
Helen C. Turner					24		24
Anne M. Phillips						15	15
Total Elementary School							375

DIGHTON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Grade	6	7	8	
Edward F. Aleixo, Principal				
Teachers:				
Mary E. Gannon	33			33
Frances E. Bergstrom	32			32
Nancy A. Holt		26		26
Mary Louise Po		28		28
Everett W. Jose		30		30
John K. Wood			22	22
James E. O'Donnell			22	22
Eunisa Wordell			22	22
Total Junior High School				215

AGE—GRADE ENROLLMENT—OCTOBER 1, 1960

Grade	AGE 5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	Totals
1	18	61	12									91
2		11	58	10	2							81
3				11	41	3	3					58
4					7	48	4	1				60
5					14	45	10	1				70
Opportunity Class				1	1	5	5	1	1	1		15
6						10	46	5	4			65
7							11	52	14	7		84
8								7	48	8	3	66
												590

Dighton-Rehoboth Regional High School (Including Tuition)

Age	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	
Students	3	31	111	113	114	83	15	2		1	Total 473
Vocational Students			6	17	19	15	5		1		63
					Total Enrollment						1126
					Private School						66

DIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL FACULTY—DECEMBER 31, 1960

Dighton Elementary School

Name	Home Address	Education	App'd.
Principal			
Dr. Rose E. Borges	Pleasant St., Dighton	Calvin Coolidge College	1927
Faculty			
Dorothy B. Bagley	54 Coral St., Fall River	Perry Kindergarten Normal	1948
Dorothy E. Borjeson, B.S. in Ed.	67 Orchard St., Raynham	Bridgewater Teacher' College	1958
Jessie H. Bradley, B.A.	Berkley Street, Berkley	Wellesley College, Bridgewater Teachers College	1954
Lena W. Cowell, B.S.M.Ed.	198 Bourn Avenue, Somerset	Calvin Coolidge College	1921
Olive W. Crawford, B.S.M.Ed.	411 Prospect Street, Fall River	Calvin Coolidge College	1947
Doris M. Ferreira	490 Woodman Street, Fall River	Perry Normal	1949
Ann T. Fitzsimmons, M.Ed.	108 Broadway, Taunton	Bridgewater Teachers College	1957
Mary G. Fleming	Somerset Avenue, Segreganset	Bridgewater Teachers College	1960
Margaret F. Harrington	233 Whipple Street, Fall River	Framingham Teachers College	1946
Olive M. Kelley, B.S. in Ed.	61 Prospect St, North Dighton	Salem Teachers' College	1959
Anne M. Phillips	59 Freedom St., Fall River	Bridgewater Teachers College	1948
Helen M. Simmons, B.S. in Ed.	4 Avon St., Somerset	Bridgewater Teachers College	1922
Helen C. Turner	117 School St., North Dighton	Framingham Normal School	1946
Louise M. Weiler, B.S. in Ed.	73 Stearns Road, Brookline	Northeastern Univ.	1960

Dighton Junior High School

Name	Home Address	Education	App'd.
Principal			
Edward F. Aleixo, M.Ed.	50 Clifford St., Taunton	Bridgewater State Teachers College	1960
Faculty			
Frances E. Bergstrom, B. of Mus.	161 Winthrop St., Taunton	Evangel College, Springfield, Mo.	1960
Mary E. Gannon, B.A.	65 Roosevelt Ave., Somerset	University of Mass.	1960
Nancy A. Holt, B.S. in Ed.	174 Old Warren Road, Swansea	Bridgewater State Teachers College	1960
Everett W. Jose, B.S. in Ed.	533 Forest St., Bridgewater	Bridgewater State Teachers College	1960
James E. O'Donnell, B.S.	24 No. Walker St., Taunton	Fitchburg Teachers College	1960
Mary Louise Po, B.F.A.	Andrews St., North Dighton	Mass. College of Art	1960
John K. Wood, B.S. in Health & Phys. Ed.	8 King St., Taunton	East Stroudsburg State Teachers College	1960
Eunisa Wordell, B.S.	Somerset Ave., Segreganset	Boston University	1959

Music Supervisors

Vocal			
Donald F. Morrison, B.M.	Williams St., North Dighton	Boston University	1958
Instrumental			
Charles H. Lincoln, Jr., B.M.	25 Monica St., Taunton	Boston University	1957
Elementary and Junior High Secretary			
Hannah E. Lassen	17 Pleasant St., Dighton		

Cafeteria Personnel

Name	Home Address	School	App't.
Alfrena Bettencourt, Head Cook	211 School Street, No. Dighton		
Annie G. Davis, Assistant	Main Street, Dighton		
Grace E. French, Assistant	Lincoln Avenue, No. Dighton		
Louise G. Gomes, Assistant	Hart Street, Dighton		
Bertha R. Stafford, Assistant	Somerset Avenue, Segreganset		

Part Time Instructors

Helen Lamb	666 Pearse Road, Swansea		
Catherine M. Donle	60 Pine Street, Dighton		

Custodians

Charles R. Leonard	Center St., No. Dighton	Dighton Junior High	1952
Alvin Silvia	School Lane, Dighton	Dighton Junior High	1957
Antone Costa	Elm St., Dighton	Dighton Elementary	1956
Frank Rogers	Lincoln Ave., No. Dighton	Dighton Elementary	1960

REPORT OF THE DIGHTON-REHOBOTH REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

In the year 1960 the Dighton-Rehoboth Regional High School became a reality. During the spring and summer a faculty consisting of thirty-eight people was assembled. This faculty included thirty academic teachers, four vocational teachers, a principal, an assistant principal, a vocational director and a guidance counselor. Of the thirty academic teachers, five were chosen as department heads. These people along with the administrators began work early in August to insure a smooth opening of the new school. The entire faculty began work the last week in August and had some two and one half weeks to prepare for the opening of school. This time was more than we had anticipated but hurricane "Donna" delayed our opening about three days.

It was fortunate indeed that the faculty was available to work for the opening as we learned in July that we were to have two sections of the building instead of three ready for September as we had planned for. Long hours of changing plans by Mr. Harrington, the principal and Mr. Day the vocational director and their faculty allowed us to open the school on September 15, 1960 in a remarkably smooth manner.

A head custodian, four custodians and a matron were hired during the summer and upon them has fallen the duty of keeping a building clean that was not only housing 530 pupils but had many tradesmen working not only in the unfinished sections but traveling about in the finished sections. Two clerks began work in August and it is their job to keep the records up to date, take care of correspondence for the administrators and perform the many other tasks connected with a school office.

As previously stated we opened with two sections out of five possible sections of the building available to us. The two sections were the shop and the English, social studies, foreign language and commercial subject wing. In October we were given the library and the dining part of the cafeteria.

In November the science-mathematics wing was made available and by the end of December the gymnasium and the cafeteria kitchen were ready. We expect the aduitorium and the music rooms to be ready some time in January.

Some of the major contracts awarded during the year were for the sewerage treatment plant which has been completed, the water system completed and the landscaping which is about 75% complete. Contracts for furniture, shop equipment, gymnasium equipment and other equipment have been awarded and in most cases completely furnished.

Through the first four months of school the spirit has been exceptionally good. The pupils, teachers and administration have cooperated to our new program an excellent one. We hope that this is an indication of the spirit that will prevail for many years to come.

In closing it should be stated that the Committee realizes that the townspeople would like to see the building. As soon as the buildings are complete and one hundred percent in operation we plan to have an "open house" to show the building to the public. In the meantime the Committee wishes to express their appreciation to the townspeople for enabling them to build a school equal to the best in the area for the high school pupils of Dighton and Rehoboth.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT T. ROY,
Superintendent of Schools

For the Dighton-Rehoboth Regional District School Committee:

Dighton Members
Stuart A. Arnold
Robert Bradshaw
Lawrence D. Dutra

Rehoboth Members
Myles Alper
Gardner Borden
Frederick Tschirch

DIGHTON-REHOBOTH REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Expenditures 1960

Capital Costs

Bond Retirement		$110,000.00	
State Aid	$67,560.00		
Premium on bonds	8,612.17		
Appropriation	33,827.83		
Total Expenditures		110,000.00	
Interest on Bonds Expenditure		$89,858.00	

Operating Costs

General Control	$ 5,603.08	
Expenses of Instruction	95,101.23	
Operation of School Plant	16,055.72	
Maintenance of School Plant	191.85	
Auxiliary Agencies	2,097.21	
Debt Service (Interest paid in 1959)	2,024.86	
Transportation	6,545.65	
Special Charges	247.20	
Vocational Education	11,328.77	
Total Operating Expenditures 1960		$139,195.57

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